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SHORTWAVE AIRINGS OF WORLD OF RADIO 1798, November 5-11, 2015

Thu 1230	WRMI	9955 [confirmed]
Thu 2100	WRMI	7570 [confirmed]
Fri 0200	WBCQ	9330v-CUSB [not heard]
Fri 2130	WRMI	15770 [confirmed]
Fri 2130	WRMI	7570 [confirmed]
Fri 2330	WRMI	5850 [canceled]
Sat 0730	HLR	7265-CUSB Hamburger Lokalradio
Sat 1530	HLR	7265-CUSB Hamburger Lokalradio [not heard]
Sat 2030v	WA0RCR	1860-AM
Sun 0415v	WA0RCR	1860-AM [confirmed from 0420]
Sun 2300	WRMI	11580 [canceled]
Mon 0400v	WBCQ	5110v Area 51
Mon 0430	WRMI	9955
Tue 1200	WRMI	9955
Wed 1415	WRMI	9955
Wed 2200	WBCQ	7490v

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http://schedule.worldofradio.org or http://sked.worldofradio.org

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WORLD OF RADIO PODCASTS:
Tnx to Dr Harald Gabler and the Rhein-Main Radio Club.
http://www.rmrc.de/index.php/rmrc-audio-plattform/podcast/glenn-hauser-wor

ALTERNATIVE PODCASTS, tnx Stephen Cooper:
http://shortwave.am/wor.xml

AND ANOTHER PODCAST ALTERNATIVE, tnx to Keith Weston:
http://feeds.feedburner.com/GlennHausersWorldOfRadio

Also via [but still not back in service]:
http://tunein.com/radio/World-of-Radio-p198/

OUR ONDEMAND AUDIO:
http://www.worldofradio.com/audiomid.html
or http://wor.worldofradio.org

DAY-BY-DAY ARCHIVE OF GLENN HAUSER`S LOG REPORTS:
Unedited, uncondensed, unchanged from original version, many of them too complex, minutely researched, multi-frequency, opinionated, inconsequential, off-topic, or lengthy for some log editors to manage; and also ahead of their availability in these weekly issues:
http://www.hard-core-dx.com/index.php?topic=Hauser

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** AFGHANISTAN. KUNDUZ RADIO STATIONS OFF AIR AFTER ATTACK
http://www.asiaradiotoday.com/news/kunduz-radio-stations-air-after-attack

Monday 02 November, 2015

Journalists leave the ransacked premises. Photo: PAN [caption]
Insurgents last month looted offices of four radio stations and the provincial branch of Pajhwok

Afghan News in northeastern Kunduz province.

The radio stations are still not back on air and are seeking equipment to help them resume broadcasting. The fighters plundered Kaihan, Kunduz, Shaista and Zahra radio stations, officials said, accusing the insurgents of destroyed some equipment.

Rahmatullah Hamnawa, head of the Journalistsí Protection Committee in the northeastern zone, blamed the Taliban for destroying transmitters, mixers, laptops, desktops, microphones and other tools. He asked media support organisation Nai to help protect media offices and professionals in the embattled city.

Zarghona Hassan, director of Shaista (Womens Radio) and Kaihan Radio, alleged the militants entered their offices in a Hilux coach and looted their equipment. ìThe Taliban stormed our offices and looted our equipment,î she said, adding the Shaista Radio station building was located in an area under militant control.

Hassan claimed to have received warnings from the guerrillas against airing programmes that urged unity among for Kunduz residents.

Kunduz radio stations off air after attack

The Afghanistan Journalists Association (AJA) also expressed concern about the media situation in Kunduz, saying tens of Afghan and foreign journalists had left the city. The AJA hopes media outlets will restart functioning in Kunduz after its recapture by the government. It added that media needed urgent help with restarting broadcasts. The organisation also asked security forces to pay more attention to the protection of journalists during their operations in Kunduz.

In other news from Kunduz, a media activist was killed in the US military airstrike on a Doctors Without Borders hospital in northern Kunduz province last month. Zarghona Hassan told Pajhwok Afghan News that Zabihullah Pashtunyar, a presenter of entertainment programmes for youth on the station, was killed in the airstrike.

Reports courtesy of Pajhwok Afghan News (via JosÈ Miguel Romero R., dxldyg via DXLD)

** ALASKA [and non]. 9680, Oct 29 at 1305, pileup of CCI on the KNLS Chinese frequency, maybe in the mix, as RTI Chinese and ChiCom jamming are certainly on, and NHK Japanese is also scheduled now (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

KNLS The New Life Station with wrong summer schedule:
from 0928 on 9680 NLS 100 kW / 300 deg to NEAs Russian, video
www.youtube.com/watch?v=l8yovqZ-tSU&feature=youtu.be
73! (Ivo Ivanov, Oct 30-31-Nov 1, dxldyg via DXLD)

Wrong?? It is scheduled here in B-15 (gh, DXLD)

** ALBANIA [and non]. 7425, Oct 30 at 0230, R. Tirana with heavy subaudible heterodyne and co-channel interference from IBB Greenville 7305/7365 intermodulation, while 7470 remains wide open. It seems the official who must OK our suggestion is away, so waiting on that to make the change.

R. Tirana is testing 7470 for three (two?) nights instead of 7425, following my urging, to avoid Greenville intermodulation and adjacent jamming interference. Reports of course wanted.

7425, Oct 31 at 0228, Vatican Radio theme music is clearly audible here as well as on fundamental 7305. This may have been closing, as they were already off at 0239 instead of 0245.

It seems this transmission sometimes runs 30, sometimes 45 minutes.

7470, Oct 31 at *0230:04, R. Tirana open carrier on, off, on; 0231 IS once and standard sign-on still mentioning 7425 (tho sounded more like 7426, maybe due to a fade/distortion). Signal on 7470 is S9, but so is the storm noise level; this is not a good night for SW reception in general. But 7470 is now FREE of any man-made interference, and so are adjacent frequencies, nothing on 7465 or 7475, 7480; weak station on 7460, and strong station on 7490.

Comparing to other European signals on 7 MHz band: 7340, RRI Romanian is S9+20, but that is still not strong enough to overcome the noise level. 7395, RRI in French is better at S9+30.

These are of course much stronger transmitters and antennas. R. Tirana goes to music at 0240. So of course, I recommend that they stay on 7470.

Alan Roe reports: ``Fair to good reception here (outside the target area) at sign-on 0230 with good signal strength - conditions a little noisy and some deep fading, but otherwise OK with no QRM. It's a stronger signal than I hear at 2100 for the European transmission. Alan Roe, Teddington, UK.``

Wolfgang B¸schel monitored the same with all these details, but doesn`t say anything about interference, so we assume there was none either, which is the reason for the move:

``Dear Drita, here is a report of your Radio Tirana English language transmission to the states in North America, USA, Canada and Mexico / Cuba, on October 31, 2015, at 0227 to 0258 UTC, on a frequency of

7469.981 kHz exact footprint, measured on the remote SDR software defined radio unit at New Jersey unit post on eastern US coastline next to the Atlantic Ocean.

Signal strength was mostly at S=9+15dB to +20dB signal strength, latter in signal peaks. Very little audio BUZZ heard accompanied of 100 / 200 Hz origin main power. Main powerful audio bandwidth was visible at 2.2 kHz wide, the total bandwidth 5.4 kHz of the Shijak signal.

At 0227 UT heard a first attempt to start the transmission, heard a 2 second lasting Radio Tirana pause signal. At 0229:06 the Shijak transmitter started again, short transmission ended at 0229:52.

At 0230:07 TX Shijak started again, noted Radio Tirana Identification and piano interval heard, followed by Identification read and spoken by the female lady presenter. Followed by male newscast reader of Radio Tirana news from 0230 onwards.

See the attached screenshot of the SDR software screen of 0238, and listen to the recorded audio file of 0231 to 0237.

At 0256:40 final Radio Tirana interval signal noted again til 0257:49, when the Shijak transmitter switched OFF. regards de Wolfie in Stuttgart Germany.`` (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

7465, Oct 31 at 2123 check, R. Tirana, English to Europe is very poor here, but presumably better along the east coast and should incrementally improve as we get into earliest Solstice sunset.

7465, Nov 1 at 0017, music in Albanian service of R. Tirana, makes S9+10, no QRM.

7470, Nov 1 at 0229, R. Tirana IS on second night of testing, S9+15v, 0230 sign-on, again sounds like she says ``7426``, instead of 7425, the original frequency for this broadcast; could she be reading a typo?? Band is noisy but somewhat better than last night, and the important thing is still no adjacent or co-channel interference on 7470; 0238 into segment about economic growth in 2015, quoting the World Bank.

7425, meanwhile I was checking at 0227 when the Vatican Radio IS was mixing with bÈisbol from Radio MartÌ, as provided by Greenville intermodulation 7305/7365/7425. But VR stops at 0230, shortly 7305 transmitter off and with it the mix on 7425. Well, before I have heard it continuing past 0230 and scheduling is until 0245, possibly depending on day of week, or whim at the See.

R. Tirana should stay safely away on clear 7470. Normally it skips UT Mondays, but possibly may test again this week in 24 hours?

[and non]. Did not check UT Monday Nov 2 at 0230 on 7470, since I assumed R. Tirana would be taking its usual Sunday night off.

UT Tuesday Nov 3, checking the QRM problem at 0154, I find that Vatican Radio in Spanish is already underway on 7305 via Greenville, and consequently also on the leapfrog mixing product 7425, making an S3 signal, weak audio from Vatican and also Radio Marti mixing together. Even on the fundamental 7305, some RM audio can be detected underneath VR, which certainly should not be happening. If there is a similar mix on the fundamental MartÌ frequency, 7365, it can`t be detected due to all the Cuban jamming.

The 7305 carrier used to come on long before 0200, but the Vatican broadcast would not start until 0200. Now the Pope is preaching in Italian, with voice-over translation into Spanish. This continues right thru 0200 with no ID or formal opening. With VR, you never know, it could be a one-time special, but none such found in their website listings.

Furthermore, the schedule info for Spanish on SW still shows outdated A-15 info, 1130 on 9610, which is now at 1230, and 0200 on 7305. The 7305 broadcast is registered and previously heard until 0245, but lately has been closing at 0230, and so it does tonight, after interval signal playing at 0227-0230*. If this keeps up, and who knows whether it will, or whether the evening broadcast will start at 0145 from now on? Or 0130? The spur on 7425 would go off just as R. Tirana is starting.

7470 is still the frequency for R. Tirana tonight, UT Nov 3 at 0232 check, poor signal as propagation is disturbed, and predicted to get much worse the next few days. 7470 remains a totally clear frequency, however, and R. Tirana should stay there. An additional problem to 7425 would be radio-teletype signals now detected on 7420. And there is stray Cuban jamming on the other side, 7430.

Wolfgang B¸schel was also monitoring and agrees that the announcer does say ``7426`` instead of correct ex-frequency 7425. Let`s hope there`s no other typo when changed to 7470 in her script.

He also measured it exactly on 7469.78 --- it seems Shijak habitually is offset like this to the low side.

Drita replies that Shijak would rather stay on a single frequency for all broadcasts, 7465.

While 7465 itself is clear at 0230-0300, as I pointed out before, there is adjacent 7460 with a 500 kW broadcast from Moldova, which will make it difficult to hear Tirana in Asia, e.g. as a morning broadcast in India, where we know there are listeners off-the-back of the antenna toward North America.

While that one is not a problem for listeners in North America, another reason for recommending 7470 instead of 7465 is that there is an extremely strong USA broadcast on 7455, WRMI aimed 285 degrees from Florida, and which can splatter upon 7465, 10 kHz away. While it may be convenient for Shijak to stay on 7465 at all times, we are trying to assure that Radio Tirana have the best possible reception with the least possible interference (Glenn Hauser, WORLD OF RADIO 1798, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Radio Tirana test on 7469.978 kHz at 0230-0258 UT Tuesdays to Sundays, - not UTC Mondays! Tonight Shijak signal seems lower, only S=8 or -78dBm measured. The lady announcer tells the world the old QRM frequency of 7426! kHz. QRM free transmission on this new test channel tonight. 73 wolfgang df5sx. PS: Romania RRI RadioCom Galbeni in French on 7395 kHz is rather usual powerful on S=9+25dB signal strength (Wolfgang B¸schel, 0247 UT Nov 3, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Local folk music singer music started at 0252:30 UT, Music stopped at 0257:42 and interval signal of Radio Tirana followed, transmitter Shijak switch OFF at 0258:10. Signal always decreased downwards at a level of S=7 or -84dBm signal strength, scratchy noise broadcast heard today. I was not amused tonight with the Radio Tirana signal strength in eastern coastline of United States near NY/NJ/MA states. vy73 wolfgang df5sx BUT 7470 kHz shortwave channel is interference FREE, though (B¸schel, ibid.)

7470, Nov 4 at 0237, R. Tirana is barely audible, still here; even Romania is having a hard time being heard on this band, due to auroral conditions. See also VATICAN [non]. WWV reported at 0300:
``Solar-terrestrial indices for 03 November follow.
Solar flux 124 and estimated planetary A-index 32.
The estimated planetary K-index at 0300 UTC on 04 November was 5.
Space weather for the past 24 hours has been minor.
Geomagnetic storms reaching the G1 level occurred.
Space weather for the next 24 hours is predicted to be moderate.
Geomagnetic storms reaching the G2 level are likely.`` (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ALGERIA. ARGELIA, 531, Jil FM, F¥kirina Wilaya d¥Oum El Bouaghi, 1630-1635, escuchada el 2 de noviembre de 2015 en ·rabe con emisiÛn de m˙sica pop, en paralelo con 549 kHz, SINPO 23342

549, Jil FM, Hamadouche, 1625-1630, escuchada el 2 de noviembre en ·rabe con emisiÛn de m˙sica pop y en paralelo con 531 kHz, SINPO 45444

981, ChaÓne 2, Ouled Fayet, 1637-1650, escuchada el 2 de noviembre en Tamazight a locutora con entrevistas a invitados y conversaciÛn telefÛnica con oyentes, en la segunda entrevista la locutora preguntaba en tamazight y el invitado contestaba en francÈs, SINPO 45343 (JosÈ Miguel Romero, circulando por CV-10 entre, Valencia y CastellÛn, Autoradio, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ANTARCTICA [non]. Re: NDR + Polarstern ship, one single day operation again on Christmas 24 Dec 2015, 19-23 UT on various frequencies, see planned ITU/HFCC registration request schedule below.

Letztmals ist doch Felix Riess DL5XL dort mitgefahren, er ist hier in der A-DX ng Mitleser.

Am 1. August hat auch MBR Koeln schon die NDR Kurzwellenfrequenzen in der HFCC Gruppe fuer die B-15 Konferenz in Brisbane angemeldet.

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 6040 2100 2300 27,80,36,81,11    NAU 125 250  0 216 241215 D   Axmas
 6125 1900 2100 27,80,36,81,11    NAU 125 250  0 216 241215 D   Bxmas
 6185 1900 2100 27,80,36,81,11    NAU 125 250  0 216 241215 D   Axmas
 9515 2100 2300 48,53,41,79       NAU 125 130  0 216 241215 D   Axmas
 9655 2100 2300 13,46,15,66,52,57 ISS 250 195  0 217 241215 F   Axmas
 9765 1900 2100 41,49,54,79,58    MOS 100 115 30 218 241215 AUT Axmas
 9765 2100 2300 41,49,54,79,58    MOS 100 115 30 218 241215 AUT Axmas
 9830 1900 2100 57,53,48,79       ISS 250 156  0 217 241215 F   Axmas
 9830 2100 2300 57,53,48,79       ISS 250 156  0 217 241215 F   Axmas
 9885 1900 2100 48,53,41,79       NAU 125 130  0 216 241215 D   Axmas
11650 1900 2100 13,46,15,66,52,57 ISS 250 195  0 217 241215 F   Axmas
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ORS Moosbrunn ex11800 kHz wurde durch eine 31 mb Frequenz 9765 kHz ersetzt, die Sonnenfleckenperiode zeigt Wirkung, seit gut einem Jahr abnehmende Figures ... (Wolfgang B¸schel, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Oct 30)

Research Survey vsl Polarstern by Kristian / Germany
Damit: Bilder und Hintergruende
<https:\\www.awi.de/en/expedition/ships/polarstern.html>

Just read in a two day old local newspaper that it's on its way to Cape Town. If anybody is interested in, there is something to read also on their homepage.

Aussicht auf Dezember 2015:
<https:\\www.ndr.de/info/Gruss-von-der-Polarstern-in-der-Antarktis,audio227596.html>

"... Heiligabend geht der NDR Hamburg "Gruss an Bord" - 24 Dec 2015 20:05 Uhr LT.

An Heiligabend gehen Gruesse aus dem Norden hinaus aufs Meer:
Seit 1953 strahlt der NDR zu Weihnachten die Sendung "Gruss an Bord" aus, die den Seeleuten fern der Heimat gewidmet ist. ...

Stand: 16.09.2015 15:39 Uhr
<https:\\www.ndr.de/info/sendungen/Gruss-an-Bord,grussanbord306.html>

Auch in diesem Jahr werden die Gruesse an Angehoerige und Freunde auf See *vorab* aufgezeichnet:... (Roger Thauer-D, A-DX Oct 30 via BC-DX 31 Oct via DXLD)

** ARGENTINA. 1660 kHz --- øAlguien sabe desde donde transmite la emisora entrerriana "Radio Ciudad" que escucho en 1660? Vi que hay una en La Rioja en la misma frecuencia y con el mismo nombre, pero estoy mas que seguro que le escuchÈ "Entre RÌos" en alg˙n momento. 73 --
(Rodolfo Tizzi <rod@internet.com.uy>
http://elterrorylavirtud.blogspot.com/
http://cx2abp.blogspot.com/
Nov 4, condiglista yg via DXLD)

Hola Rodolfo! Ni idea che! No sabÌa siquiera de su existencia. Hubo en algun momento un proyecto para poner una AM en en Aimogasta pero en ER nunca supe. La escuchas con regularidad? (Arnaldo Slaen, ibid.)

La escuchÈ la madrugada del s·bado al domingo pasado, de casualidad, despuÈs que apagara Revivir en la misma frecuencia. Obviamente, mi idea era ver si WGIT de CanÛvanas [PR] andaba por ahi, ya que Caribbean Beacon llegaba como local y veÌa una persistente traza en la cascada del SDR en 1640 kHz, que no pude descifrar. No pude grabarle la identificaciÛn completa despuÈs del Himno a las 0300 UT. Parece solo transmitir m˙sica de continuo y alguna que otra identificaciÛn aislada. TendrÈ que prestarle m·s atenciÛn en los prÛximos dÌas. 73
(Rodolfo Tizzi <rod@internet.com.uy>
http://elterrorylavirtud.blogspot.com/ http://cx2abp.blogspot.com/
ibid.)

http://infoleg.mecon.gov.ar/infolegInternet/
verNorma.do;jsessionid=293711B9815C802E5082FEA8A195FA22?id=185119

Segun esto, es frecuencia asignada a Nogoy· (entre RÌos) Saludos!
(Luciano Gentile, ibid.)

** ARGENTINA. 15345.23, Oct 29 at 2340, RAE in Spanish is good at S9+15 and as always way off-frequency; circa 0045 Oct 30 in Japanese moved to around 11710.6 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ASCENSION. ASCENSION ISLANDS [sic], 11830, Dandal Kura Radio - Issoudun[?], at 2015-2059* UT on [A-15 season 17-21 UT] Oct 24, mainly talks in Kanuri language, short segments of localmusic. Nice ID, website information and Gmail address at close of program. Closed with instrumental music until carrier was terminated. Fair to good (Rich D'Angelo-PA-USA, DXplorer Oct 26 via Wolfgang B¸schel, DXLD)

Rich, what happens on that 11830 kHz channel in winter season? I've my doubts ... still. It's not clear who transmits - which program - in which language? Aoki in B-15?

hfcc request list mentioned ASC island txion center also in A-15 ... in B-15 11830 mentioned only 30 minutes, registered though as Babcock brokered service on Sundays only, in English language instead ???

11830 1900-1930 46SE ASC 250kW 65deg 0 547 1=Suns only 251015-270316
Eng G BAB

but Oct 28 file shows Dandal Kura Radio on
12050 1800-2100 46SE ASC 250 65 0 607 1234567 251015-270316
Kau G BAB BAB 1305 (Wolfgang B¸schel, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** AUSTRALIA. 11387-USB, Nov 3 at 1403-1404*, VOLMET by synth YL, can`t copy locations, but scheduled as from here at top and bottom of hours, to hand over to Kolkata at :05 and :35, per EiBi, but that not heard. Meanwhile there was blaaaaap QRM from some other utility (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** AUSTRALIA. New time and frequency change of Reach Beyond Australia from Nov 5:
1400-1515 NF 9740 KNX 100 kW / 305 deg to SoAs, ex 1330-1445 on 9720 as follows
1400-1415 Hindi Sat-Thu; English Fri[*]
1415-1430 Hindi Daily
1430-1445 Chattisgarhi Sat/Sun; Malayalam Mon;
1430-1445 Telugu Tue/Thu; Kuruk Wed; Marathi Fri
1445-1500 Tamil Sat/Sun; Bahnla Mon; Marwari Tue
1445-1500 Hindi Wed; Telugu Thu; Gujarati Fri
1500-1515 Tamil Sun-Fri; Urdu Sat
73! (Ivo Ivanov, B`lgariya, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)
*so there is still some English scattered in the lang sked (gh, DXLD)

** BAHRAIN [non]. CORRECTION from John Cooper: ``9745 BAHRAIN. Radio Bahrain-Abu Hayan, at 0223-0229, on 25 Oct (Cooper, PA)`` Should read: 9745, EGYPT. Radio Cairo-Abis, at 0223-0229, on 25 Oct (Cooper, PA). I failed to catch the schedule change at 0200 UT on the B15-HFCC listing (J. Cooper, Lebanon, PA, Winradio-G33DDC, CommRadio CR-1a, RF Space-

SDR-IQ, Sangean 909X with Clear Mods, Tecsun PL-660, GAP-Hear It In Line Module, Timewave ANC-4, Wellbrook ALA-1530S+, PARS-EF-SWL HF End Fed Receive Antenna x 2, NASWA Flashsheet Nov 1 via DXLD)

** BANGLADESH. 4750.00, Bangladesh Betar, Oct 30 1256-1305, 43443, Bengali, Bangladesh music and news, ID at 1258 and 1300

9455, Bangladesh Betar, Oct 30, 1321-1329, 34433, Nepali, News and Bangladesh music, ID at 1324

15105, Bangladesh Betar, Oct 26 1231-1242, 35343, English, Theme music, and ID at 1231, News

15105. Bangladesh Betar, Nov 02 1228-1238, 34443, English, IS, Time announce, Opening music, ID and opening announce, Theme music, News (Kouji Hashimoto, JAPAN, RX, IC-R75, NRD-525+RD-9830, NRD-345, Satellit 750, DE-1121; ANT, 130m Sloper Wire, 303WA, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BERMUDA. Surprise, surprise, at ZBM FM 89.1 Bermuda --- Had quite the surprise today when tuning in to FM 89 via their sister station, power 95 dot bm. ZBM is now "Ocean 89", and they have dropped their talk shows & satellite AC, I saw on the Royal Gazette site. The guy I talked to on-air in July 2009, while I was DXing ZBM, has retired. There are DJs now, playing forms of rock & R&B. Heard a DJ with British accent a few minutes ago (1810 UT or so). ZBM is a popular Es catch along the Eastern Seaboard and maybe as far west as the Appalachians. cd (Chris Dunne, Pembroke Pines FL, Nov 3, WTFDA Forum via DXLD) So was this reception via Es or via webcast?? (gh, DXLD)

** BHUTAN. 6034.96, *0038-0055 4.11, Bhutan Broadcasting Service, Sangaygang, Indigenous music, 0042 Dzongkha ann, 0043 non stop folksongs 34333 CWQRM and QRM from 6030. Switch on yourself and enjoy! (Anker Petersen, Denmark, via Dario Monferini, playdx yg via DXLD)

** BIAFRA [non]. NIGERIA TAKES OVER RADIO BIAFRA SHORTWAVE BROADCAST
http://nigeriamasterweb.com/Masterweb/breakingnews-31115-nigeria-takes-over-radio-biafra-shortwave-broadcast

Nigeria --- National Broadcasting Commission (NBC) last Saturday took over Radio Biafra shortwave frequency and was running counter programme with announcements that the station was closing down forever. Radio Biafra which operated on 15560 kHz in the shortwave 19 meter band from 7 to 9 pm Nigerian time was totally knocked-off that frequency on Saturday. Hausa/limited English music and war songs dominated the broadcast with intermittent announcements by an 'Igbo' woman who identifed herself as Nkemdilim Chukwuemeka. The announcements by Chukwuemeka spread out in the two hour broadcast,

were delivered in English and "not perfectly spoken" Igbo in segments of different wordings as follows:

At the beginning and intermittently during the broadcast - "Anyi wu nde Igbo cholo ifunanya na oganiru. Anyi acholosi ndi Biafra, anyinine bu ndi Igbo. Anyi cholo udo, anyi acholisi MASSOB, anyinchanine bu nde Nigeria. Biafra anwugo, Biafra nwuru oge 45 years ubosi garaga. Anyi bu nde Igbo, anyi choro udo, anyi ga ebite aka. Nkea bu Radio Biafra na ekwu. This is Radio Biafra closing down forever."

The English translation of this is: "We the Igbos want love and progress. We do not want Biafra, we are all Igbos. We want peace, we do not want MASSOB, we are Nigerians. Biafra is dead, Biafra died 45 years ago. We are Igbos, we want peace, we will live long. This is Radio Biafra live. This is Radio Biafra closing down forever."

Intermittently during the course of the broadcast - "This is Radio Biafra closing down forever." Intermittently during the broadcast after playing Hausa/limited English war songs - "We are Nigerians, we are pround Nigerians. We want peace and progress. There is no Biafra, all Igbos are for peace. Biafra is dead, we are Nigerians - no more MASSOB. We are Igbos, we are happy Nigerians, Biafra died 45 years ago. Long live Nigeria. This is Radio Biafra - this is Radio Biafra closing down forever. Whoever is talking Biafra does not like nde Igbo. Ndigbo are proud Nigerians. Long live Federal Republic of Nigeria. My name is Nkemdilim Chukwuemeka."

Some sources that understand Hausa language that were contacted by Masterweb News Desk said the war songs extoled the brave and heroic antecedents of the Nigerian army in wars they fought, from the second world war to peacekeeping engagements in Africa. The songs according to the sources also called for peaceful coexistence of all tribes in Nigeria and saluted President Buhari and Nigeria armed forces, calling an end to Boko Haram and death to Biafra resurgence.

A re-run of Saturday's programme was broadcast Sunday through Tuesday.
Posted by: (JOSE MIGUEL ROMERO ROMERO, Nov 3, dxldyg via DXLD)

Tnx to JMRR for capturing so much pertinent press material!

?? It`s totally unclear how this ``takeover`` was accomplished.
Did the Nigerian government capture the studio of R. Biafra?
Did they override a satellite feed to the transmitter site, presumably France?
Did they prevail upon TDF to put their program on 15560 instead of Biafra`s?

It was previously reported that the guy behind R. Biafra was in

custody. I could never get anything beyond a barely detectable signal on 15560 at 18-20+ UT. This was published on Tuesday *before* that hour, yet it says the takeover broadcast *was* repeated today. Maybe it will still be. Hear it if you can (Glenn Hauser, 1543 UT Tue Nov 3, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1798, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Saludos Glenn, en los ˙ltimos dÌas no he conseguido captar seÒal alguna en 15560, ayer dÌa 2 de noviembre fue el ˙ltimo chequeo. Busco en frecuencias adyacentes sin resultado. Aunque desde mi ubicaciÛn he observado en semanas pasadas que no me resultaba f·cil captarla, a veces irrumpÌa con fuerza. Un saludo (JosÈ Miguel Romero, 1607 UT Nov 3, WORLD OF RADIO 1798, ibid.)

FRANCE, Open carrier/dead air plus weak Denge Kurdistan on Nov. 4: from 1820 on 15560 ISS 250 kW / 170 deg to WeAf, instead of Radio Biafra
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=51e5T1UqDuY&feature=youtu.be
73! (Ivo Ivanov, B`lgariya, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BRAZIL. 4895 kHz Radio Novo Tempo - Campo Grande Mato Grosso do Sul - Brazil Reativado --- OM CX Sobre a blibia e a igreja adventista do 7 dia, MX, OM, hora certa 09:41 da noite. Dia 30/10 as 2341 UT, SINPO 55444.

Alguns simples emails enviados ao dono do trasmissor, Ivan Paes Barbosa
http://donosdamidia.com.br/pessoa/7594 comercial@redems.com.br
e a R·dio Novo Tempo foi o suficiente para reativarem, È muito importante nÛs lembr··los das ondas tropicais eu presumo que o trasmissor estava apenas desligado, isso mesmo desligado, pois os fiscais / tÈcnicos da igreja em SP foram r·pido a Campo Grande - MS e foi religado.

Email de contato: radio@novotempo.com
Web site: http://www.novotempo.com/campogrande/

RX: Tecsun S-2000; Antenna: Long wire 3.000 Meters (wire fence steel for cows) (Daniel Wyllyans, Nova Xavantina MT, Brazil, Hard-Core-DX mailing list via WORLD OF RADIO 1798, DXLD)

** BRAZIL. Foto, R·dio Cultura de Cuiab·, 5015 kHz Ondas Tropicais e AM 710 kHz / Website: www.radioculturadecuiaba.com.br/
http://dxbrazilsw.blogspot.com.br/2015/10/foto-da-antena-e-da-radio-cultura-de.html

Note: The tropical wave system 5015 kHz radio that is on the same AM antenna 710 kHz and well limited. local progammation the station airs Brazilian mornings during the day and rented the SRDA (Super Radio

Deus È Amor) 73 (Daniel Wyllyans, Nova Xavantina MT, Brazil, Hard-Core-DX mailing list via DXLD)

** BRAZIL. R¡DIO APARECIDA, 5035 kHz --- Ol· a todos do grupo, Para a infelicidade dos mais pessimistas, e para a minha felicidade, a R·dio Aparecida, 5035 kHz (60M) j· est· de volta. Transmitindo normalmente nos 60 metros. Estava ouvindo-a agora a pouco (C·ssio Santos - Goi,nia - Goi·s, Nov 3, radioescutas yg via WORLD OF RADIO 1798, DXLD)

** BRAZIL [and non]. 9665, Oct 29 at 0621, LAH mixing Brazuguese from Voz Mission·ria, and sweet singing from the paradise of North Korea (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BRAZIL. BRASIL, R·dio Aparecida on very odd frequencies on Oct 30
from 0548 on 9723.7 CUR 010 kW / 020 deg to BRA Portuguese via R RB2
from 0548 on 11856.2 APA 001 kW / 060 deg to BRA Portuguese
from 0556 on 11935.0 CUR 010 kW / 020 deg to BRA Portuguese
73! (Ivo Ivanov, Oct 30-31-Nov 1, dxldyg via DXLD)

9723.7, Radio RB2, Curtiba, 0653-0710, 01-11, religious program, Portuguese. // 6040. 24322 (Manuel MÈndez, Lugo, Spain, Logs in Friol and Lugo, Sangean ATS-090X, Tecsun PL880, Degen, 31MS active loop antena and cable antenna, 8 meters, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

BRASIL. 9723.5, R. B2, Curitiba PR, 2229-2243, 01/11, retransm. da R. Aparecida, com o programa Com A M„e Aparecida; 45444 (Carlos GonÁalves, southwest coast of Portugal, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BRAZIL [and non]. 10000, Nov 4 at 0602, ObservatÛrio Nacional Brazuguese announcements every dekasecond barely audible under WWVH, and no WWV at all (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BRAZIL [and non]. 11934.94, Oct 29 at 2343, Portuguese prayer, very poor S4 from R·dio RB2 presumably relaying Aparecida.

11925.0, Oct 29 at 2342 looking for possible reactivation of R. Bandeirantes, but only hear weak Chinese, on-frequency and with bleed from 11930 Cuban jamming. 0042 Oct 30 recheck, just a JBA on-frequency signal and no more jambleed (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BRAZIL. 15190.1, Oct 29 at 2338, R. InconfidÍncia, as usual off-frequency plus, very poor S3 with music, now liberated by absence of WRMI; too bad its signal is so weak (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST) No longer the highest frequency Brazilian SW station: (gh)

** BRAZIL. R¡DIO GAZETA --- Ol· a todos do grupo, Nesse final de semana, estive no sÌtio do meu Pai na cidade de Silv,nia, a 100 km de Goi,nia-GO. Como l· a QRM È zero, tive a grata satisfaÁ„o em

sintonizar novamente a R·dio Gazeta em 19m - 15325 kHz, ou seja, est· ativa... Sinal fraco e desvanecimento, mas audÌvel. Transmiss„o de futebol(coment· rios). Tentarei sintoniz··la aqui no centro de Goi,nia no final de semana que vir·. Muita QRM por aqui, mas Gosto de desafios nas escutas (C·ssio Santos - Goi,nia - Goi·s, Nov 3, radioescutas yg via DXLD) time? 8:03 pm on the header in digest, but I`m never quite sure what timezone that reflects. Whatever happened to UT equivalence? (Glenn Hauser, WORLD OF RADIO 1798, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CANADA. 800, Oct 30 at 0034 UT, ad for Kehlwindows.com, weather in Celsius, but also 45F now, i.e. CKLW Windsor Ont. Vs KQCV OKC. Sometimes CKLW is there, sometimes not at all. It does have two different day & nite minor lobes to the southwest (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CANADA. 1610, Nov 1 at 0647 UT, all-Spanish from Toronto, ``CHHA, Radio Voces Latinas``, dÈcimoprimero aniversario promo, celebrating 11 years on air, 416 AC phone, then promo 16-10 AM, y su departamento de ventas (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CANADA [and non]: ROBERTO PAVANELLO CANADIAN RADIO TOUR 2015
See DX-PEDITIONS below

** CANADA [and non]. 5403.5-USB, Nov 1 at 0010, Bob, VE1YX, 100 miles west of Halifax in NS, making quick contacts almost at the contesting level, preferring Europeans such as MM4GGI, M5AFG (not heard), while KA0DWR (YATES, DONALD L, KA0DWR, SPRINGFIELD, MO 65802) tries to reach him, then hooks up W3FOX with M5AFG (or was it N5-?). Also CW QRM from someone calling CQDX. See also USA.

5346.5-USB, Nov 1 at 0009, more ham activity here on another discrete ``60 meter`` frequency, someone about to QSY to ``channel 5`` (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CHINA [and non]. 9685, CNR 1 jammer, 2354, 10/26/15, in Mandarin. Male announcer, correspondent report or sound bite, same announcer. Target is listed as Radio Taiwan International in Mandarin via Paochung. Jammer was fair. // legitimate CNR 1 outlets on 9645, 11750, 11960 all also fair (Mark Taylor, Madison, Wisconsin, Perseus, SDRPlay, Eton e1, Grundig Satellit 800, Sangean 909X w/ clear mod, Tecsun PL 660 and various other portables; 40 meters dipole, RF Systems Mk 2, Flextenna, NASWA Flashsheet via DXLD)

9860, Crash & Bang music jammer; 1703, 1-Nov; Haven't heard one of these in quite a while; Radio Free Asia via Marianas listed, new for B15 (Frodge-MI)

9455, Crash & Bang music jammer; 1709, 1-Nov; weak; Radio Free Asia

via Marianas listed (Harold Frodge, Midland MI, USA, Drake R8B + 125 ft. bow-tie; 60 ft. RW & 185 ft. center-fed RW, All logged by my ears, on my receiver, in real time! DX LISTENING DIGEST)

15840, Nov 1 at 0035, Chinese at S5 --- must be a CNR1 jammer, since there is no B-15 legit registration, and A-15 Aoki showed it as a 100-watt Sound of Hope *nuisance frequency.

12430, Nov 1 at 2336, CNR1 jammer is S4-5. It`s among the countless Sound of Hope 100-watt nuisance frequencies in Aoki, requiring tying up a jammer, on a signal hardly anyone else could hear without the jamming. No other WOOB ones found now in a cursory scan.

11410, Nov 2 at 1429, CNR1 jammer, fair with heavy flutter; 1430 2-pip timesignal and ID

11070, Nov 2 at 1431, CNR1 jammer, fair with heavy flutter. No others found in the hi 7s, 8s, lo

9s, 10s, 12s, 13s, 14s, hi 15s, 16s, 17s (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

From 2000 UT noted on 9410 kHz - terrible FIREDRAKE music against RFA Chinese service from Agignan Point at Marianas, Pacific, scheduled 20-22 UT. Broadband jamming from China mainland covers also 9402.3 to 9417.7 kHz white noise buzz range, and interferes some Voice of Greece 9420 program 'lower side' signal (Wolfgang B¸schel, Nov 4, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNKNOWNISTAN: 9410, Crash & Bang music jammer; 2138, 4-Nov; More flutes than crashing & banging; about = Chinese audio; Fu Hsing, Taiwan in Chinese listed; // weak 9455 with no other audio; Radio Free Asia via Marianas listed.

11910, Crash & Bang music jammer; 1423, 5-Nov; More flutes than C&B; well over hint of other audio; VoA in Tibetan via Kuwait listed (Harold Frodge, Midland MI, USA, Drake R8B + 125 ft. bow-tie; 60 ft. RW & 185 ft. center-fed RW, All logged by my ears, on my receiver, in real time! DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CHINA [non]. 7220, Oct 30 at 0545, CCI between Romanian and something else. It`s the same collision every B-season; doesn`t it bother anyone in Eurasia? RRI at 05-06 is 285 degrees for France; the other is CRI English via Albania, 140 degrees. Despite the widely disparate azimuths, SW beams are not unidirexional, and from sites not that far apart should be hard to avoid each other, at multiple angles (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CHINA [non]. EXPOSED: CHINA`S COVERT GLOBAL RADIO NETWORK ---
Beijing controls a radio network sending pro-China news around the
world. But Beijing`s not broadcasting that fact.
http://www.reuters.com/investigates/special-report/china-radio/

Long "exposÈ" by Reuters of so called "covert radio network"
(via Mike Barraclough, UK, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Tnx to Benn Kobb who also sent a link to this story.
http://www.reuters.com/investigates/special-report/china-radio/

It`s about time somebody noticed and exposed this. It was already
totally obvious to anyone familiar with CRI on SW that these stations
are mere MW relays of ChiCom government propaganda. And China makes no
such concessions to USG or any American broadcasts within China (Glenn
Hauser, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

The FCC has now launched an investigation following the Reuters
report. FCC, Justice Department investigate covert Chinese radio
network
http://www.reuters.com/article/2015/11/02/us-china-radio-fcc-idUSKCN0SR2AI20151102
(via Mike Barraclough, dxldyg via DXLD) Viz.:

Mon Nov 2, 2015 4:18pm EST
FCC, JUSTICE DEPARTMENT INVESTIGATE COVERT CHINESE RADIO NETWORK
WASHINGTON/BEIJING | By John Shiffman and Koh Gui Qing

The Federal Communications Commission and the Justice Department are
investigating a California firm whose U.S. radio broadcasts are backed
by a subsidiary of the Chinese government, officials said.

Both investigations come in response to a Reuters report published on
Monday that revealed the existence of the covert radio network, which
broadcasts in more than a dozen American cities, including Washington,
Philadelphia, Boston, Houston and San Francisco. (reut.rs/1Wrflt4)

"Based on reports, the FCC will initiate an inquiry into the facts
surrounding the foreign ownership issues raised in the stories,
including whether the Commissionís statutory foreign ownership rules
have been violated," FCC spokesman Neil Grace said.

The California firm is owned by James Su, a naturalized U.S. citizen
born in Shanghai. Reuters reported Monday that Suís company, G&E
Studio Inc, is 60 percent owned by a subsidiary of Chinese state-run
radio broadcaster China Radio International (CRI).

The FCC doesn't restrict content on U.S. radio stations, except for
rules covering indecency, political advertising and childrenís

programming.

But under U.S. law, the FCC prohibits foreign governments or their representatives from holding a radio license for a U.S. broadcast station. Foreign individuals, governments and corporations are permitted to hold up to 20 percent ownership directly in a station and up to 25 percent in the U.S. parent corporation of a station.

G&E does not own any U.S. stations, but it leases two 50,000-watt stations: WCRW in Washington for more than $720,000 a year, and WNWR in Philadelphia for more than $600,000 a year.

Through a different set of limited liability companies, Su owns, co-owns or leases virtually all the air time on at least a dozen other U.S. stations. Those stations carry G&E content, which is produced largely by his West Covina, California studios or by state-run CRI in Beijing.

The news programming on these CRI-backed stations sticks closely to the Chinese government line on a host of issues, including the current military standoff in the South China Sea between China and the United States.

Suís spokeswoman declined to comment Monday. In a Sept. 16 interview with Reuters, Su said his radio network abides by U.S. law because he leases air time from stations, rather than owning them outright.

U.S. law also requires anyone inside the United States seeking to influence American policy or public opinion on behalf of a foreign government or group to register with the Justice Department. Public records show that neither Su nor his companies are registered as foreign agents under the law, called the Foreign Agents Registration Act, or FARA.

A U.S. law enforcement official said the Justice Department probe began last month, after Reuters approached the FBI and prosecutors with questions about Su's California-based operation.

Last month, after receiving inquiries from Reuters, Suís companies deleted two web pages that showcased the relationship between his firms and CRI.

"We are aware of the media reports and can neither confirm nor deny an ongoing review or investigation into the matter," said Marc Raimondi, a Justice Department spokesman. "We are committed to continuing to use the full range of tools and authorities under the Foreign Agents Registration Act to ensure proper foreign registration and filings."

In the September interview, Su said that he and his companies comply with all U.S. laws, including FARA.

Su's network of CRI-backed stations in the United States is one of three international networks with hidden financial ties to the Chinese broadcaster. Reuters identified similar networks in Europe and in the Asia-Pacific region. Reporters found that there at least 33 radio stations in 14 countries in CRI's global network. (Additional reporting by Julia Edwards in Washington. Edited by Michael Williams.)
(via WORLD OF RADIO 1798, DXLD)

Chinese radio propaganda fail - "No one knew about it"
http://yro.slashdot.org/story/15/11/02/194214/virginia-radio-station-broadcasting-chinese-propaganda
(via Wally Bloss - the G Mail Account, A Human, Nov 3, WTFDA gg via DXLD) Viz.:

Posted by samzenpus on Monday November 02, 2015 @03:44PM from the better-than-spam dept. An anonymous reader writes:

An investigation by Reuters has uncovered a radio station located just outside Washington, D.C. that broadcasts dedicated Chinese propaganda to the U.S. capital and the surrounding area. In 2009, under new ownership, Virginia-based station WAGE erected new broadcast towers, amplifying its signal by ten times, and changed its call letters to WCRW, for "China Radio Washington."

All WCRW programming shares a common theme, with newscasts that avoid any criticism of China and are critical of Beijing's political enemies; for example, a report on pro-democracy protests in Hong Kong last year did not explain why people were in the streets, and said only that the demonstrations had "failed without support."

WCRW's American owners claim they have no input on content and are only rebroadcasting programming provided to them by a state-sponsored Chinese company to which they lease the airtime. U.S. law requires that anyone seeking to influence American policy or public opinion on behalf of a foreign government must register with the Department of Justice, but according to Reuters, government officials didn't even know WCRW existed until Reuters told them about it (via DXLD)

BEIJINGíS COVERT RADIO NETWORK AIRS CHINA-FRIENDLY NEWS ACROSS WASHINGTON, AND THE WORLD
    By Koh Gui Qing and John Shiffman
    Filed Nov. 2, 2015, 1:40 p.m. GMT

http://www.reuters.com/investigates/special-report/china-radio/
programming sticks close to the Chinese government line.

REUTERS/Stringer; Beijing Association USA/Handout; Lucas Jackson
Voice of China

Part 3: The Chinese government controls much of the content broadcast on a station that is blanketing the U.S. capital with pro-Beijing programming. WCRW is part of an expanding global web of 33 stations in which Chinaís involvement is obscured.

BEIJING/WASHINGTON ñ In August, foreign ministers from 10 nations blasted China for building artificial islands in the disputed South China Sea. As media around the world covered the diplomatic clash, a radio station that serves the most powerful city in America had a distinctive take on the news.

Located outside Washington, D.C., WCRW radio made no mention of Chinaís provocative island project. Instead, an analyst explained that tensions in the region were due to unnamed ìexternal forcesî trying ìto insert themselves into this part of the world using false claims.î

Behind WCRWís coverage is a fact thatís never broadcast: The Chinese government controls much of what airs on the station, which can be heard on Capitol Hill and at the White House.

WCRW is just one of a growing number of stations across the world through which Beijing is broadcasting China-friendly news and programming.

A Reuters investigation spanning four continents has identified at least 33 radio stations in 14 countries that are part of a global radio web structured in a way that obscures its majority shareholder: state-run China Radio International, or CRI.

TRACING CRIíS LINKS

To report this story, 39 Reuters reporters pulled corporate and regulatory filings in 26 countries to identify a web of radio stations connected to three Chinese expatriates and their behind-the-scenes backer, Chinaís state-run China Radio International.

The reporters monitored broadcasts in many of these countries, programming distributed primarily in English and Chinese, but also in local languages, including Thai, Italian and Turkish.

Chinese corporate records were obtained in Beijing. In the United States, reporters reviewed scores of regulatory, zoning, property, tax, immigration and corporate records, including radio station purchase contracts and lease agreements.

Many of these stations primarily broadcast content created or supplied by CRI or by media companies it controls in the United States, Australia and Europe. Three Chinese expatriate businessmen, who are CRIís local partners, run the companies and in some cases own a stake in the stations. The network reaches from Finland to Nepal to Australia, and from Philadelphia to San Francisco.

At WCRW, Beijing holds a direct financial interest in the Washington stationís broadcasts. Corporate records in the United States and China show a Beijing-based subsidiary of the Chinese state-owned radio broadcaster owns 60 percent of an American company that leases almost all of the stationís airtime.

China has a number of state-run media properties, such as the Xinhua news agency, that are well-known around the world. But American officials charged with monitoring foreign media ownership and propaganda said they were unaware of the Chinese-controlled radio operation inside the United States until contacted by Reuters. A half-dozen former senior U.S. officials said federal authorities should investigate whether the arrangement violates laws governing foreign media and agents in the United States.

A U.S. law enforced by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) prohibits foreign governments or their representatives from holding a radio license for a U.S. broadcast station. Under the Communications Act, foreign individuals, governments and corporations are permitted to hold up to 20 percent ownership directly in a station and up to 25 percent in the U.S. parent corporation of a station.

CRI itself doesnít hold ownership stakes in U.S. stations, but it does have a majority share via a subsidiary in the company that leases WCRW in Washington and a Philadelphia station with a similarly high-powered signal.

Said former FCC Chairman Reed Hundt: ìIf there were allegations made about de facto Chinese government ownership of radio stations, then Iím sure the FCC would investigate.î

U.S. law also requires anyone inside the United States seeking to influence American policy or public opinion on behalf of a foreign government or group to register with the Department of Justice. Public records show that CRIís U.S. Chinese-American business partner and his companies havenít registered as foreign agents under the law, called the Foreign Agents Registration Act, or FARA.

ALLIES: G&E president and CEO James Su, left, shares a toast with CRI chief Wang Gengnian, in a photo from the EDI Media website. [caption]

ìOur U.S. public Ö can choose to listen or not to listen. I think this is an American value.î James Su, president and CEO, G&E

ìI would make a serious inquiry under FARA into a company rebroadcasting Chinese government propaganda inside the United States without revealing that it is acting on behalf of, or itís owned or controlled by China,î said D.E. ìEdî Wilson Jr., a former senior White House and Treasury Department official.

CRI headquarters in Beijing and the Chinese embassy in Washington declined to make officials available for interviews or to comment on the findings of this article.

Justice Department national security spokesman Marc Raimondi and FCC spokesman Neil Grace declined to comment.

Other officials at the FCC said the agency receives so many license applications that it only launches a probe if it receives a complaint. People familiar with the matter said no such complaint has been lodged with the FCC about the CRI-backed network in the United States.

BUILDING ìSOFT POWERî

Chinese President Xi Jinping, who has chafed at a world order he sees as dominated by the United States and its allies, is aware that China struggles to project its views in the international arena.

ìWe should increase Chinaís soft power, give a good Chinese narrative and better communicate Chinaís message to the world,î Xi said in a policy address in November last year, according to Xinhua.

CRI head Wang Gengnian has described Beijingís messaging effort as the ìborrowed boatî strategy - using existing media outlets in foreign nations to carry Chinaís narrative.

The 33 radio stations backed by CRI broadcast in English, Chinese or local languages, offering a mix of news, music and cultural programs. Newscasts are peppered with stories highlighting Chinaís development, such as its space program, and its contribution to humanitarian causes, including earthquake relief in Nepal.

ìWe are not the evil empire that some Western media portray us to be,î said a person close to the Communist Party leadership in Beijing who is familiar with the CRI network. ìWestern media reports about China are too negative. We just want to improve our international image. Itís self-protection.î

In some ways, the CRI-backed radio stations fulfill a similar advocacy

role to that of the U.S.-run Voice of America. But there is a fundamental difference: VOA openly publishes the fact that it receives U.S. government funding. CRI is using front companies that cloak its role.

A few of the programs broadcast in the United States cite reports from CRI, but most donít. One program, The Beijing Hour, says it is ìbrought to you by China Radio International.î

Some shows are slick, others lack polish. While many segments are indistinguishable from mainstream American radio shows, some include announcers speaking English with noticeable Chinese accents.

The production values vary because the broadcasts are appealing to three distinct audiences: first-generation Chinese immigrants with limited English skills; second-generation Chinese curious about their ancestral homeland; and non-Chinese listeners whom Beijing hopes to influence.

One thing the programs have in common: They generally ignore criticism of China and steer clear of anything that casts Beijing in a negative light.

A top-of-the-hour morning newscast on Oct. 15, broadcast in Washington and other U.S. cities, was identified only as ìCity News.î It reported that U.S. officials were concerned about cyber attacks, including one in which the personal information of about 20 million American government workers was allegedly stolen. The broadcast left out a key element: It has been widely reported that U.S. officials believe China was behind that hack.

Last year, as thousands of protesters demanding free elections paralyzed Hong Kong for weeks, the news on CRI-backed stations in the United States presented Chinaís point of view. A report the day after the protests ended did not explain why residents were on the streets and carried no comments from protest leaders. The demonstrations, a report said, had ìfailed without the support of the people in Hong Kong.î

Many of these stations do not run ads and so do not appear to be commercially motivated.

Around the world, corporate records show, CRIís surrogates use the same business structure. The three Chinese businessmen in partnership with Beijing have each created a domestic media company that is 60 percent owned by a Beijing-based group called Guoguang Century Media Consultancy. Guoguang, in turn, is wholly owned by a subsidiary of CRI, according to Chinese company filings.

Video: Good morning, Washington

The three companies span the globe:

ï In Europe, GBTimes of Tampere, Finland, has an ownership stake in or provides content to at least nine stations, according to interviews and an examination of company filings.

ï In Asia-Pacific, Global CAMG Media Group of Melbourne, Australia, has an ownership stake in or supplies programming to at least eight stations, according to corporate records.

ï And in North America, G&E Studio Inc, near Los Angeles, California, broadcasts content nearly full time on at least 15 U.S. stations. A station in Vancouver also broadcasts G&E content. In addition to distributing CRI programming, G&E produces and distributes original Beijing-friendly shows from its California studios.

In a Sept. 16 interview at his offices near Los Angeles, G&E president and CEO James Su confirmed that CRI subsidiary Guoguang Century Media holds a majority stake in his company and that he has a contract with the Chinese broadcaster. He said that a non-disclosure agreement bars him from divulging details.

Su said he complies with U.S. laws. G&E doesnít own stations, but rather leases the airtime on them. ìItís like a management company that manages a condominium,î he said.

Su added that he is a businessman, not an agent for China. ìOur U.S. audience and our U.S. public has the choice,î Su said. ìThey can choose to listen or not listen. I think this is an American value.î

GBTimes CEO Zhao Yinong, who spearheads the European arm of the expatriate radio operation, confirmed that he receives several million euros a year from CRI. In an interview in Beijing, Zhao said he was "not interested in creating a false China" and he had ìnothing to hide.î

Tommy Jiang, the head of CAMG, the Australian-based company that owns and operates stations in the Asia-Pacific region, declined to comment.

BORN IN A CAVE

CRI has grown remarkably since its founding in 1941. According to its English-language website, its first broadcast was aired from a cave, and the news reader had to frighten away wolves with a flashlight. Today, CRI says it broadcasts worldwide in more than 60 languages and Chinese dialects.

Audio: WCRWís take [linked]
Excerpts from a morning news broadcast heard on WCRW in Washington on Nov. 1, regarding the dispute in the South China Sea.

CRI content is carefully scripted, with the treatment of sensitive topics such as the banned Falun Gong spiritual group adhering strictly to the government line. Those restrictions might make Chinaís soft-power push an uphill battle with audiences in places like Houston, Rome or Auckland.

But CRI does have something to offer station owners. Since 2010, CRIís broadcast partner in the United States has struck deals that bailed out struggling community radio stations, either by purchasing them outright or paying tens of thousands of dollars a month to lease virtually all their airtime. The latter is known as ìtime-brokeringî and is the method G&E used to take to the air in Washington.

The 195-foot towers broadcasting Beijingís agenda throughout the Washington region are located in suburban Loudoun County, Virginia, near Dulles International Airport. They pump out a 50,000-watt signal, the maximum for an AM station in the United States.

The towers went live in 2011. In the previous five decades, before the Chinese got involved, the station was known as WAGE, and it used smaller equipment and broadcast mostly local news and talk.

At just 5,000 watts, the signal didnít carry far. This didnít matter much until the 1990s, when Loudoun County boomed into a bedroom community for Washington. Commuters would lose the signal halfway to the capital.

In 2005, an American company called Potomac Radio LLC purchased the station and added some nationally syndicated programming. Potomac Radio president Alan Pendleton said his company had a history of leasing time to ethnic programmers, including an hour a day to CRI on another station. Revenue at WAGE continued to fall, however, and in 2009, it went off the air.

ìIt was a painful, painful experience,î said Pendleton. ìWe were losing millions of dollars a year down the drain.î

Saying they hoped to resurrect the station, other Potomac Radio executives asked Loudoun County in 2009 for permission to erect three broadcast towers on land owned by a county utility, records show. The new towers would boost the stationís signal tenfold to 50,000 watts, reaching into Washington.

SURPRISED: Former Loudoun official Kelly Burk says WCRW owners promised to restore a local radio station. After the county approved new towers, the station began broadcasting Chinese content over D.C. instead. REUTERS/Gary Cameron [caption]

> ìIt was all very deceptive.î
> Kelly Burk, former supervisor, Loudoun County

In their application, Potomac Radio executives argued that the new towers offered the ìlast hope to retain Loudoun Countyís onlyî radio station. The paperwork made no mention of plans to lease airtime to Su and CRI.

Potomac Radio also invoked the attacks of Sept. 11, 2001, a day when the station provided ìcritical information to county businesses and parentsî as mobile phone service became overloaded. The new towers would contribute to public safety, proponents said.

The county Board of Supervisors approved the towers. In the days before the station came back on air in April 2011, Potomac Radio sought FCC permission to change the name to WCRW.

Asked about the initials, Pendleton confirmed that they stand for China Radio Washington. The change was his idea, not CRIís, he said.

Loudoun County officials were surprised when the amped-up station returned as WCRW and began broadcasting G&E and CRI content about China.

ìIt was all very deceptive,î said Kelly Burk, a county supervisor at the time. ìThey presented it as all about being about local radio, and never let on what they were really up to.î

Potomac Radioís Pendleton said there was no deception. His company was approached by CRI several months after the county approved the towers, he said.

Pendleton said he didnít know that G&E was 60 percent owned by a subsidiary of the Chinese government until Reuters informed him. But the arrangement complies with FCC law, he said, because G&E leases the airwaves instead of owning the station.

In any event, he said, CRI is open about its goals: to present a window into Chinese culture and offer Chinese points of view on international affairs.

ìIf you listen to other state-sponsored broadcasters,î especially Russiaís, ìtheyíre really insidious,î Pendleton said. ìCRIís not like

that at all.î

Pendleton said he has no input in WCRW content: He simply rebroadcasts whatever programs arrive from CRIís man in America, G&E founder James Su.

CHINAíS ìPROXYî

James Yantao Su was born in Shanghai in 1970, the year China launched its first satellite. He moved to the United States in 1989, he said, ultimately settling in West Covina, a suburb of Los Angeles, and became a U.S. citizen.

By the early 2000s, Su was a moderately successful media entrepreneur. But after his 2009 deal to create G&E, in which the Chinese state-owned subsidiary has a majority stake, his fortunes rose.

Today, the 44-year-old owns or co-owns real estate and radio stations worth more than $15 million, according to a Reuters analysis of U.S. corporate, property, tax and FCC records. His projects include English and Chinese-language stations, a magazine, a newspaper, four apartment buildings, condos at the Trump International Hotel in Las Vegas, a film festival and a charity that last year donated $230,000 to an orphanage in China.

Two of his primary companies are G&E Studio and EDI Media Inc. G&E dedicated a page on its website to showcase CRI as a "closeî partner, but it recently deleted the page after Reuters made inquiries. EDIís site says it has become ìChinaís outward media and advertising proxyî in the United States.

In 2013, the Chinese government presented Su with a special contribution award at a media event for Chinese broadcasters.

Other ties are not as visible: The key disclosure that G&E is 60 percent owned by Guoguang Century - the Beijing firm thatís 100 percent owned by CRI - is contained in a footnote in a lengthy FCC filing made on behalf of another Su company, Golden City Broadcast, LLC.

Su declined to discuss his business career in detail. An early highlight, though, was a speech he gave in 2003, when he was in his early thirties.

Covered by Chinaís state-run media, the speech laid out Suís vision for a business that could be profitable and also help China project its message in the United States. The business would need to be structured to comply with U.S. ownership laws and would ìendorse

Chinaís ideology,î Su was quoted as saying.

In the same speech, he spoke of his fellow expatsí affinity for China. ìThe sense of belonging to China among countrymen residing abroad and their endorsement of Chinaís current policies grow with each day,î Su said, according to Xinhua.

In 2008, Su gave an address in which he criticized U.S. media for focusing their China coverage on issues such as human rights.

The media were misleading ìthe American massesí objective understanding of China, even engendering hostile emotions,î Su said, according to a China National Radio report.

It was in 2009 that Suís vision really began to take shape. That year, records show, Su created G&E Studio.

EXTERNAL FORCES: China is building artificial islands in the disputed South China Sea, pictured in May. WCRWís coverage said ìexternal forcesî were trying ìto insert themselves into this part of the world using false claims.î REUTERS/U.S. Navy/Handout [caption]

G&E now broadcasts in English and Chinese on at least 15 U.S. stations, including Salt Lake City, Atlanta, Philadelphia, Houston, Honolulu and Portland, Oregon.

The content is largely the same on each station, produced either by CRI from Beijing or by G&E from California.

A typical hour on most stations begins with a short newscast that can toggle between China news and stories about violent crimes in the United States. Besides the overtly political coverage, topics range from global currency fluctuations and Chinese trade missions to celebrity wardrobe analysis and modern parenting challenges.

While Su owns a minority share of G&E, he has structured his radio station holdings in various ways. According to the most recent FCC records, he is the majority owner of at least six stations, such as the one in Atlanta, which he purchased for $2.1 million in 2013.

In other cases he leases airtime. In Washington, for instance, he leases virtually all the time on WCRW for more than $720,000 a year through G&E. A Philadelphia station is leased under a similar arrangement for at least $600,000 a year.

A spokeswoman for Su said Reutersí description of the extent of his network is ìgenerally correct.î

Su declined to describe how he makes money when most of the U.S. stations air virtually no commercials. He also declined to say how he got the money to finance his radio leases and acquisitions.

His stations, Su said, offer the American public an alternative viewpoint on Chinese culture and politics. He has ìno way to controlî what CRI broadcasts on the stations, he said, nor is he part of any plan to spread Chinese propaganda.

ìWe are only telling the unfiltered real news to our audience,î he said.

On Oct. 29, WCRW carried a program called ìThe Hourly News.î Among the top stories: Senior Chinese and U.S. naval commanders planned to speak by video after a U.S. Navy ship passed close by Chinaís new artificial islands in the South China Sea. Washington and its allies see the island-building program as a ploy to grab control of strategic sea lanes, and the Navy sail-by was meant to counter Chinaís territorial claims.

WCRW omitted that side of the story.

The admirals are holding the talks, the announcer said, ìamid the tension the U.S. created this week.î

Additional reporting by Benjamin Kang Lim and Joseph Campbell in Beijing, Ritsuko Ando in Tokyo, Gopal Sharma and Ross Adkin in Kathmandu, Mirwais Harooni in Kabul, Joyce Lee in Seoul, Eveline Danubrata and Arzia Tivany Wargadiredja in Jakarta, Khettiya Jittapong and Pairat Temphairojana in Bangkok, Theodora Dícruz in Singapore, Mohammed Shihar in Colombo, Terrence Edwards in Ulan Bator, Diane Chan in Hong Kong, Jane Wardell and Ian Chua in Sydney, Balazs Koranyi and Harro Ten Wolde in Frankfurt, Jussi Rosendahl in Helsinki, Sara Ledwith in London, Julia Fioretti in Brussels, Can Sezer in Istanbul, Andrius Sytas in Vilnius, Kole Casule in Skopje, Renee Maltezou in Athens, Margarita Antidze in Tbilisi, Radu-Sorin Marinas in Bucharest, Geert De Clercq in Paris, Marton Dunai in Budapest, Ed Cropley in Johannesburg, Selam Gebrekidan in New York, Anna Driver in Houston, Renee Dudley in Boston, Brian Grow in Atlanta, David Storey in Washington and Euan Rocha in Toronto

CHINA RADIOíS MEN IN EUROPE AND ASIA
By Koh Gui Qing and Jane Wardell

WAVELENGTH: CRI has trained some employees at stations controlled by its Asian partner. Here, a jockey runs a show from Capital FM 92.4 in Kathmandu. REUTERS/Navesh Chitrakar [caption]

BEIJING - Zhao Yinong calls China Radio International ìa very big clientî of his European media group.

According to Zhao, the state-owned Chinese international broadcaster pays his company, GBTimes, ìseveral million eurosî each year to produce radio shows for a local audience. Thatís a little over half of GBTimesí annual revenue.

Zhao, whose media company is based in Finland, spearheads an operation that broadcasts China-friendly programming in Europe on behalf of China Radio International (CRI). But CRI is more than a client of Zhao: A CRI subsidiary owns a 60 percent stake in GBTimes, according to corporate filings.

Asked why China is operating abroad through private companies, Zhao said the initial reason was a lack of talent, funding and knowledge of the overseas media market.

"As China grows and gets stronger," he said he believed it would expand its media reach "overseas on its own."

Zhao, who spoke with Reuters in an interview last month in Beijing, said there was no difference between his operation and the U.S.-government-funded Voice of America (VOA).

When a reporter said that VOA is transparent about its government links, Zhao replied: "We've never hidden ourselves. There's nothing to hide."

According to Zhao, GBTimes runs a network of 14 radio stations from Finland to Hungary to Italy.

A Reuters review of corporate filings and interviews with station employees revealed nine stations in which GBTimes either has an ownership stake or to which it provides content.

Klasszik Radio in Hungary, which is part of the GBTimes stable, says on its Facebook page that its mission is to "talk about the pros and cons of the Asian giant, its rich culture, funny habits and the fact that they are not as alien to us as we might think."

All the radio stations in the GBTimes network adhere to regulatory requirements in the countries in which they operate, Zhao said.

Zhao's counterpart in the Asia-Pacific region is Tommy Jiang, who is in partnership with CRI through a Melbourne-based media company. The 2009 launch of Jiang's Canberra FM 88 station was deemed significant enough by Beijing that China's ambassador to Australia and CRI's

president attended.

"China Radio International is now on the air in the Australian capital of Canberra," China's state-run CCTV reported on its website at the time. English-language radio stations in Perth, Canberra and Auckland broadcast China-friendly programming similar to that being aired in the United States, where CRI has a partnership with Los Angeles-based businessman James Su. A station in Thailand, though, broadcasts mainly Thai pop songs.

In Europe, a number of stations broadcast mainly music, but some also run programs on Chinese culture and social trends, with names like "Colorful East" and "Pop Rock Dragon."

"This is about selling China's story to the world," said Jichang Lulu, an independent researcher on China who has written about GBTimes. "The explicit intention is to portray the content as coming from an independent party, while in fact broadcasting the views of the Chinese government."

In Asia, some of the employees at stations in Jiang's stable have received training from CRI. An employee at Capital FM 92.4 in Kathmandu, Nepal, told Reuters that staffers have worked at CRI's official Nepali language service in Beijing.

Zhao said he'd like more cooperation with his counterparts in the United States and Asia-Pacific. Jiang declined to be interviewed. (Edited by Peter Hirschberg) (via DXLD)

** CHINA [non]. UZBEKISTAN, Good reception of Stream of Praise Music Ministries
2100-2130 on 7530 TAC 100 kW / 090 deg to EaAs Cantonese or Chinese:
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IVVUA9iTXYg&feature=youtu.be
73! (Ivo Ivanov, B`lgariya, Nov 4-5, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** COLOMBIA. Re: 870 HJSB, R. Mar Caribe --- Re: Thank you to all for your enthusiasm and the "old" news that this station has been sitting for too long in the Active part of WRTH and on my Active database. At least on the mwmasts side Radio Mar Caribe now sits in Inactive or Closed (Dan Goldfarb, Oct 29, mwmasts yg via DXLD)

While it appears to be safe to classify 870 HJSB Barranquilla as inactive or closed, I'm still not 100% sure. Although the 2015 WRTH does list 870 HJSB as R. Mar Caribe in apparent error, the station website is listed as http://radiominuto.org which has me wondering about its status. Does the listed website in WRTH signify an ownership change, future plans, or is it incorrect? My enthusiasm is due to an unidentified Latin American signal received on 870 in New Hampshire

during the last period of auroral conditions in which a number of signals from Colombia were received. R. Mar Caribe used to be received here decades ago when the sun was more active -- (Bruce Conti, *B.A.Conti Photography* http://www.baconti.com *°BAMLog!* http://www.bamlog.com Oct 30, mwmasts yg via DXLD)

** COLOMBIA. 6010.3, Oct 29 at 2359, music marred by stuttering continuously, rather like fingers drumming on a lower lip. Not // 15190.1 InconfidÍncia, so presumably LV de tu Conciencia. Then Oct 30 at 0002, I find the same sound on the other HJDH, 5910.1, Alcarav·n Radio, plus ``running-H2O`` ute QRM at times. Maybe it`s a defective studio-transmitter link (FM, or internet?) from Bogot· to Puerto Lleras. They are both around S6 to S7. 0053 UT recheck, 5910.1 is still wobbly, and 6010.3 seems deadair (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CONGO DR. CONGO-Kinshasa, 5066.3, R. TÈlÈ Candip, Bunia, 1925-1932, 01/11, dialecto local, texto, m˙sica; 35342. O fecho da emiss„o ocorreu pouco depois das 1932 (Carlos GonÁalves, southwest coast of Portugal, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CUBA. A few Sunday observations:

950, Reloj. Checking mid-morning November 1, they were giving time checks in sync with non-DST, confirming again switching in unison with (most of) the US. And running the Sunday-only minute chimes by now. The initial tune-in chimes had the dog thinking it was the door bell, provoking a barking response.

5025, Rebelde, 1758 GMT November 1, threshold modulation. This one -- noise floor permitting -- is generally a good copy all day here. Modulation back up to normal on the next recheck later in the local evening.

6030, jammer, 1620 GMT November 1, pulsing away loudly at thin air, MartÌ having signed off much earlier in the morning. This is the norm (Terry Krueger, Clearwater FL, Nov 4, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CUBA [and non]. 6055, Oct 29 at 0636, new Cuban pulse jamming is centered around here now instead of 6050, which will be somewhat helpful to HCJB and ELWA, but not to R. Nikkei, not yet audible.

6100, Oct 29 at 0634, this RHC English frequency is missing, while 6000, 6060 and 6165 remain.

9710, Oct 31 at 0243, RHC in Spanish is weaker than CCI with music, which is: CRI in Spanish via Kasghgar, EAST TURKISTAN at 01-03 (also Portuguese at 00-01) --- same collision as in B-14, which must be even

worse in South America; and then there`s Iran in English to N America also on 9710 from 0320. Arnie plans to move 9710 to 6075 on Nov 16, so better enjoy CFRX 6070 while you can. At least he`s not going right on CFRX` frequency like he did before.

Marching in lockstep with Yanqui Imperialism, Cuba has gone off DST of UT -4 to standard time of UT -5 at exactly the same time as AmÈrica, so RHC Spanish and some other language programming shift one UT hour later. However, final B-15 frequency/schedule changes are not due for another biweek, Nov 16.

5040, Nov 1 at 0640, RHC English is still on here with jazz // overkill rest of The Cuban Five,

6000, 6060, 6100, 6165. So 06-07 will be in English on 5040 instead of off at 0600* --- but whether 05-06 will be English too instead of Spanish is never clear.

9640, 9820, 9850, 11860, 11950, 15370, 15730, did I miss any? Nov 1 at 1339 RHC with `Cuba Campesina` rustic music show, ex 1230 on Sundays, and now instead of `En Contacto`, confirmed shifted one hour later to start at 1434. The repeats should now be circa 2340 and UT Monday 0235 on whatever frequencies are vigent.

How about the weekly Esperanto broadcast? Confirmed at 1618 UT Sunday Nov 1 on 11950, ex-1500. The repeat will presumably stay at 2230 Sundays on 15370, and the prepeat earlier at 0700 UT Sunday on some 49m channel, 6100?

13870-13930, peaking about 13910, Cuban pulse jamming against nothing (except unfortunate utes, MARS), evidently spurious out of the 13820 pileup against R. MartÌ, which however, is so strong that the jam is barely audible there.

15370 & 15230, Nov 1 at 2342, RHC Portuguese, but not synchronized at all. Oops, 15230 is supposed to be in Spanish after 2300, with Portuguese at 2200-2300; 15370 with Portuguese at 2330-2400 only. Or was, in A-15. Now the B-15 schedule via Wolfgang B¸schel, which is not to be fully implemented until Nov 15-16, shows:
Buenos Aires Ti 250 160 15230 kHz 2300-2400 UT
RÌo de Janeiro Be 50 135 17730 kHz 2330-2400 UT
So they`ve made the time change on 15230, but not the frequency change from 15370 to 17730 (which is still in Spanish, below). What a mess.

17730 // 13740 et al., Sunday Nov 1 at 2345, RHC Spanish still with `El Mundo de la Filatelia` stamp show. I`m waiting and waiting for `En Contacto` to start, confirming its un-DST timeshift. That finally starts at 2347:10, #43 of 2015y, and then also found on 11840, 11760,

9710, 9535, 5040. Since it started so late, the quarter-hour show runs over until 2402, but 5040 has dumped out of `En Contacto` already at 0001 Nov 2 for the Creole service, which on the new schedule is not supposed to start until 0100; with English at 0000. What another mess. The other frequencies stayed with E.C., followed by a music show.

5040, Nov 3 at 0111, RHC is in Kriyol/Creole, as per the non-DST scheduling (following English at 00-01, preceding French at 0130-0200).

15370, Nov 3 at 1350, no signal yet from RHC, while 15730 is the SSOB. 11950, Nov 3 at 1401, QSY announcement closing 9550 & 9850, opening 15370, and that is on by 1408. However, at 1500, I find 9550 is still on, starting `Sonido Cubano` music show until it`s cut off at 1504*. More confusion caused by the unnecessary DST shifts, and worsened by RHC`s delaying its own final frequency schedule changes another two weeks! May I point out that there`s very little point to observing any DST in the tropix, altho mostly subtropical parts of Brasil mess with it too.

15700, Nov 3 at 1408, no signal from CRI relay in English, as the Cubans screw that up too; by next check at 1455, it`s on.

15370, Nov 3 at 1456, modulation is breaking up on this RHC frequency; wiggle that patchcord! while it`s OK on // 15730.

11670, Nov 4 at 0606, huge open carrier, presumed RHC?

9850, Nov 4 at 1255, RHC Spanish modulation breaking up slightly unlike on weaker 9820. Wiggle that patchcord! (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1798, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** EAST TURKISTAN. Dear DX-friends, In our late evenings and early nights, ASIA comes in well on the 75-49 mb here in Skovlunde, whereas Latin America is very difficult to hear, except for Cuba. Here is what I heard early November in my AOR AR7030PLUS with 28 metres of longwire:

4850.00, 2340-2350 3.11, CHINA, Xinjiang PBS, Urumqi, Kazakh interview, folksongs, including a well-known melody, ID. Now back on winterschedule! 55344 AP-DNK

4980.00, 2350-2400 3.11, Xinjiang PBS, Urumqi, Uighur ann, local stringmusic, web address, ID 45343 // 3990 (54444 QRM Gannan PBS), 6120 (45233) and 7205 (32332) AP-DNK

5060.00, 2355-2400 3.11, Xinjiang PBS, Urumqi, Chinese talk, 2400 ID: "Xinjiang renmin kwangpo dientai" , news 45333 // 3950 (55444) and

5960 (45434) AP-DNK
(Anker Petersen, Denmark, via Dario Monferini, playdx yg via DXLD)

** ECUADOR. Auch wenn HCJB Deutschland inzwischen einen eigenen kleinen Standort in Weenermoor betreibt, experimentiert die deutsche Partnerredaktion bei Radio HCJB Quito wieder mit Direktsendungen vom ecuadorianischen Standort am Pichincha. Statt wie vorher 0430 UT, wo Tests beobachtet worden waren, gab Horst Rosiak im HCJB DX Programm am 24. Oktober einen neuen Sendeplatz an:
2330-2400: 6050 (Pichincha 6 kW) Uhr Weltzeit (+1=MEZ)

Wie eigene Beobachtungen zeigen, w%re eine Ausstrahlung um 0430 Uhr in Mitteleuropa schwerlich zu hˆren, denn die Frequenz wird ab 0430 Uhr durch den Sendestart von Adventist World Radio in Franzˆsisch auf 6045 kHz stark beeintr%chtigt. (Bernd Seiser 25.10., Dr. Hansjˆrg Biener 30.10.2015) (Prof. Dr. Hansjˆrg Biener, Neulichtenhofstr. 7, DE 90461 N¸rnberg, Hansjoerg_Biener @ yahoo.de, ntt aktuell November 2015 (vorletzte Ausgabe nach 21 Jahren), DX LISTENING DIGEST) Next to last edition after 21 years! (gh, DXLD)

** EGYPT [and non]. 9745, Oct 29 at 0617, S9+30, Arabic, undermodulated with some hum but not very distorted; maybe a bit of reverb on the audio, i.e. R. Cairo`s new frequency to N America at 02-07, blasting away any trace of Bahrain which has been on 9745 as its only SW frequency.

In case there be any doubt about which is which, see if there is any LSB, because 10 kW ND from Abu Hayan, Bahrain is carrier + USB only, and should remain audible at other dayparts, further CCI permitting.

Discounting two imaginary Indonesians in HFCC, the only other occupant of 9745 is CRI in Esperanto via Urumqi, East Turkistan at 1930-2030, but Abis, Egypt is also listed at 17-19 in Turkish, which may or may not be active here. Fortunately, R. Free Asia, and Firedrake/CNR1 jamming are no longer on 9745 at 17-21 in B-15; and Taiwan`s Guanghua zhi Sheng at 0755-2400 is x-inactive, per Aoki and Ron Howard.

12070.0, Oct 30 at 0040, R. Cairo is S8, suptorted, in Arabic? Only other frequencies found are:

9964.55, R. Cairo, Oct 30 at 0054, Arabic music, S9 but undermodulated; by 0231 this is fair signal but dead air

9745, Oct 30 at 0231, Qur`an on very good signal and sufficient modulation, double-sideband plus carrier

9860 & 9315, not even carriers before or after 0200, where English has been registered. Third possibility, 9720 is a JBA carrier at 0235,

likely something else.

It seems the English SW service to N America has been dropped, not heard for a few weeks now. It is however, available on the web, as first reported UT Oct 29 by Bruce F in New York to the DXLD yg:

``Radio Cairo's 0200 UT English Program On-Line --- I have heard this English language program transmission with good quality sound at the following link, despite the fact that it is labeled (in Arabic) as the Farsi Service:
http://www.egradio.eg/radio.php?PubPnt=Faressy&ChnName=10

The link works for the 0200-0330 UT broadcast in English. I've noted it before 0200 in Spanish. I'm nearly certain it's a live feed, but haven't found it on my radio to compare the two. The frequency may have changed with the new broadcasting season - it was on 9315 kHz.

Right now - Friday Oct 30, 2015 at 0208 UT, the English service from Cairo is online at their "Swahili" link:
http://www.egradio.eg/radio.php?PubPnt=ElSawaheely&ChnName=9

So it's not always on the same link. Last night it was at the "Farsi" link. Bruce`` (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

9900, Radio Cairo at 2124, woman introducing ìAnother edition ofÖî, couldn't understand what it was because of the muffled audio. - Poor, Oct 30 (Harold Sellers, Vernon, British Columbia, listening in my car, parked by the lake. Eton E1 and Sony AN1 active antenna. Editor of World English Survey and Target Listening, available at http://www.odxa.on.ca dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

9570, Radio Cairo at 1937 in German with Middle Eastern female vocals to 1945 and a man with talk with a mention of ìMohammedî ñ Good signal with good audio on the vocals but usual muffled audio on speech Oct 31 (Mark Coady, Ontario, ODXA YRX via DXLD)

Strange new B-15 frequency; in B-14 this was on 9905 (gh, DXLD)

12070.05, Oct 31 at 0047, R. Cairo, S9 signal but suptorted in presumed Spanish

9965.2, Oct 31 at 0056, R. Cairo, S9+20 but JBM in Arabic

9860, 9720, 9315, NO signals now in Spanish nor later in English

9745.0, Oct 31 at 0243, R. Cairo, Qur`an, VG S9+25 signal but suptorted; starts at 0200

9965.2, Oct 31 at 0245, R. Cairo other Arabic faded to S9+5, JBM music

9900, Oct 31 at 2119, extremely distorted talk, presumably English, as the intonation seems like it, as scheduled for R. Cairo to Europe at 2115-2245, instead of alternate 9800.

9965.0, Nov 1 at 0027, R. Cairo, overmodulated & distorted, plus whine, but I can tell it is in English with sign-off announcement, 0028 music. So the first broadcast to North America at 2300 is still on the air, even if the second at 0200 is not --- at least not found on any listed or other frequency.

9964.7, Nov 1 at 2348, R. Cairo undermodulated, presumably in English service (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1798, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Re: [dxld] Radio Cairo's 0200 UTC English Program On-Line

Good catch, Bruce! 30 October at 2030 UT I confirmed the French service followed by the English service at 2115 UT, both on 9900 kHz in parallel with the feed on channel 11 at http://www.egradio.eg/radio.php?PubPnt=SootMasr&ChnName=11

Will definitely add this to the next hitlist update at http://www.w4uvh.net/hitlist.htm
As the feed channel used seems variable, will probably point to the landing page at http://www.egradio.eg/
(Alan Roe, Teddington, UK, Oct 30, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

New B-15 frequency of Radio Cairo General Service on Oct 27:
0200-0700 NF 9745 ABS 250 kW / 315 deg to NoAm Arabic, ex 9905 B-14
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rVygo5Ga65M&feature=youtu.be
73! (Ivo Ivanov, Sofia, B`lgariya, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** EQUATORIAL GUINEA. 5005.02, 0505-0515 27.10, R Bata, Bata (presumed), Spanish talk, 13211, CWQRM (Anker Petersen, Denmark, my latest loggings in October from Skovlunde done on my AOR AR7030PLUS with 28 metres of longwire, via Dario Monferini, playdx yg via DXLD)

GUIN… EQUATORIAL, 5005, RNGE, Bata. Sumiu-se novamente; a menos que, ‡ tarde, feche a emiss„o demasiado cedo para que se consiga captar aqui na Europa (Carlos GonÁalves, southwest coast of Portugal, early November, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

5005, Radio Nacional, Bata (presumed), 0530-0537, 02-11, strong carrier but very very weak audio, barely audible, some comments, unintelligible language due to weak signal. 14221 (Manuel MÈndez, Lugo, Spain, Logs in Friol and Lugo, Sangean ATS-090X, Tecsun PL880, Degen, 31MS active loop antena and cable antenna, 8 meters, dxldyg via

DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ERITREA [non]. FRANCE, Excellent signal of R. Assenna and Eritrean Forum, Oct 31
Radio Assenna plus English around 1717-1725
1700-1800 on 11720 ISS 250 kW / 130 deg to EaAf Tigrinya Mon/Thu/Sat

Eritrean Forum Medrek
1800-1900 on 11720 ISS 250 kW / 130 deg to EaAf Arabic Sat
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xBS5nudX5Yc&feature=youtu.be
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hKgmyJaOJdc&feature=youtu.be
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MiEyWfWEi-A&feature=youtu.be
73! (Ivo Ivanov, Oct 30-31-Nov 1, dxldyg via DXLD)

** ETHIOPIA [non]. FRANCE, Strong signal of R. Xoriyo without jamming, Oct 31: 1600-1630 on 17630 ISS 500 kW / 130 deg to EaAf Somali Tue/Sat
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vNlYyzuH_xs&feature=youtu.be
73! (Ivo Ivanov, Oct 30-31-Nov 1, dxldyg via DXLD)

** EUROPE. FRS Holland being heard with good signal on 9300 kHz from tune-in at 0920 UT for their special broadcast until 1500 UT. Also audible on 7700 (Alan Roe, Teddington, UK, Nov 1, BDXC-UK yg via DXLD)

Piratas: 7700, Free R Service Holland, HOL?, 1123-..., 01/11, inglÍs, texto, m˙sica pop'; 35443. // 9300.1.

9300.1, Free R Service Holland, HOL?, 1130-..., 01/11, inglÍs, texto, m˙sica pop'; 35443. // 7700 (Carlos GonÁalves, southwest coast of Portugal, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** EUROPE. Hi Gents: Halloween was super active. What I heard was just a fraction of what was on, though. PIRATE-EURO. Radio Desperado, 6265 AM, 2132-2150+, 10-31-15, SIO: 232. Tunes like "Winds Of Change" by The Scorpions, Station ID in English by OM announcer. Report to desperadoam89@gmail.com brought quick eQSL! (Chris Lobdell, Box 80146, Stoneham, MA 02180, Receivers: Eton E1, NRD-525, Aerials: G5RV, 40 Meter Dipole, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** FRANCE. Here is a confirmation that ALL medium waves will be close in December in France. Here is report about France Bleu Elsass (1278 kHz), published today by the newspaper DerniËres Nouvelles d'Alsace (DNA)...
http://www.dna.fr/societe/2015/10/30/france-bleu-elsass-devient-numerique

(It`s reported that Bretagne 5 and some private stations will continue on AM) (WRTH Facebook group, Christian Ghibaudo via France Bleu Elsass [sic; the reverse] 30 October 2015, via Mike Terry, BDXC-UK yg via WORLD OF RADIO 1798, DXLD) Viz.:

MÈdias - ¿ partir du 1er janvier 2016, France Bleu Elsass va Ítre diffusÈe numÈriquement, et cessera díÈmettre sur ondes moyennes. …tat des lieux et projets.

France Bleu Elsass continuera díÈmettre, mais sur le numÈrique et plus sur ondes moyennes. PHOTO DNA - Laurent RÈa [caption]

Le directeur de France Bleu Alsace Emmanuel Delattre rassure díemblÈe: France Bleu Elsass continue díÈmettre et son profil ne bougera pas. Mais au lieu díÍtre diffusÈe sur ondes moyennes, elle le sera sur le numÈrique : cíest-‡-dire sur internet fixe, sur une application ‡ Ècouter sur líensemble des portables et des tablettes ou sur une radioweb connectÈe ‡ une livebox.

France Bleu Elsass, qui aura 85 ans le 11 novembre, ne changera pas ses programmes et va mÍme les amplifier, poursuit Emmanuel Delattre. Líhomme comprend quíil y aura pour les auditeurs ,gÈs adeptes de la radio une difficultÈ ‡ aller sur le numÈrique : ´on va les pousser ‡ y aller, insiste-t-il. Pour NoÎl, nous lancerons une opÈration radioweb. Nous populariserons le plus possible líopÈration pour amener líensemble des auditeurs ‡ nous suivre sur le numÈriqueª.

Le remodelage est national. Au 1er janvier 2016, toutes les ondes moyennes disparaÓtront pour líensemble de Radio France. Cela fait, explique M. Delattre, partie du contrat díobjectifs et de moyens qui engage Radio France sur la pÈriode 2015-2019. Ce contrat est signÈ avec lí…tat.

Cette mutation technique est selon la direction aussi une opportunitÈ ‡ síouvrir ‡ un plus large public, ‡ associer la jeune gÈnÈration, ‡ participer ‡ líÈducation en langue alsacienne.

Emmanuel Delattre insiste: rien ne va disparaÓtre au niveau des contenus. ´Nous travaillons avec les acteurs du numÈrique et de líalsacien dans la rÈgion pour aller au plus prËs des envies des auditeursª, main dans la main avec lí…ducation nationale, la RÈgion, les deux conseils dÈpartementaux.

La grille ne bougera pas; les plages de 8 h ‡ 12 h et de 13 h ‡ 16 h 30 resteront entiËrement en alsacien, ´líoffre sera mÍme enrichie gr,ce au numÈriqueª.

La plage 8-12 h sera regardable en direct en vidÈo. On profitera de la mutation technologique ´pour mettre en avant la scËne alsacienne qui parle et chante en dialecte, les plus jeunes aussi. Un travail sera fait sur les rÈseaux sociaux, avec les classes bilingues, les professeurs díalsacienª. ´Il síagit de faire de cette mutation une

opportunitÈ pour aller de líavant [Ö]. Il síagit non pas de diminuer la prÈsence mais de líÈtendreª, promet M. Delattre.

LíÈquipe des intervenants ne changera pas: les auditeurs retrouveront FÈlicien Muffler, Simone Morgenthaler, Pierre Nuss, Jonathan Wahl.

Et Emmanuel Delattre en profite pour souligner que les interventions en alsacien sur France Bleu Alsace diffusÈe en FM se multiplient depuis la rentrÈe derniËre.

Vos commentaires:

Wirsher - 02.11.2015 | 09h22
Je pense que vous n'avez pas compris la dÈmarche: Avec les webradio on connaitra le nombre exact d'auditeurs, qui sera forcÈment trËs rÈduits vu que nombre d'entre eux ne maitrisent pas internet.Dans un ou deux ans on montrera qu'ils sont trËs peu et on supprimera dÈfinitivement ces radios non jacobines.

bealma - 30.10.2015 | 13h22 incomprÈhensible et autodestructeur.
Dommage car sympa; s'il faut une tablette pour les Ècouter autant offrir une poÎlle ‡ frire aux auditeurs.

dave77 - 30.10.2015 | 09h07 question
Pourquoi ne pas avoir basculÈ sur la bande FM puisque les ondes moyennes disparaissent? Pourquoi ne pas avoir fusionnÈ avec France Bleu Alsace? Ils pensent vraiment que les personnes agÈes vont suivre la radio sur le web...?

En Corse il n'y a qu'une seule radio, France Bleu Frequenza Mora et pas une avec la langue rÈgionale relÈguÈe sur les OM (Elsass) et une en "bon francais" (Alsace) sur la bande FM.

Patrick Jacques - 30.10.2015 | 08h52 Et les plus vieux?
Cette dÈcision de se retirer des ondes moyennes Ècartera les plus vieux d'entre nous de cette radio. Comment demander ‡ des gens de 80 ou 90 ans qui n'ont jamais touchÈ ‡ un ordinateur de se mettre ‡ Ècouter la radio sur le web ou sur une tablette?

DÈj‡ avec la TV numÈrique, c'est souvent galËre pour ces gens avec un mÈlange inouÔ de chaines en clair ou cryptÈes (non visibles), en diffÈrentes langues qu'ils ne regardent jamais car arabes, anglophones, russes, japonaises ou chinoises (et j'en passe) et dont ils n'ont que faire.

Non dÈcidÈment, les "nouvelles technologies" ne font que compliquer la vie ‡ tout le monde. Mais pourquoi faire simple si on peut faire compliquÈ?

avatar de l'utilisateur Wirsher - 30.10.2015 | 08h50
Un Èlan lancÈ depuis pluissuers annÈes:
http://hewwemi.net/alsacien-sur-france-bleu-a-la-poubelle/

avatar de l'utilisateur Wirsher - 30.10.2015 | 08h49
Comme Áa les rares personnes qui arrivaient encore ‡ capter cette onde introuvable auront encore plus de mal ‡ vivre leur culture.

Christine Zimmer 30/10/2015 ‡ 05:00 Vu 2541 fois (via DXLD)

** FRANCE. FRANCE BLEU ELSASS MACHT ALS WEBRADIO WEITER
   von Tom Sprenger. Samstag, 31. Oktober 2015
http://www.radiowoche.de/france-bleu-elsass-macht-als-webradio-weiter/

Zum Jahresende stellt Radio France seine Sendungen ueber Mittelwelle ein, betroffen von diesem Schritt ist auch der Mittelwellensender im elsaessischen Selestat auf 1278 kHz. Dort sendet aktuell noch France Bleu Elsass, das Programm in elsaessischer Sprache des Radio France-Regionalstudios in Strassburg. Lange war unklar, ob mit dem Ende der Mittelwelle auch das Aus fuer das Programm in der Regionalsprache kommen wuerde. Jetzt hat Emmanuel Delattre, der Direktor des Regionalstudios, der Strassburger Tageszeitung "DNA" bestaetigt, dass es auch nach dem 1. Januar 2016 fuer France Bleu Elsass weitergeht.

Das Programm wird kuenftig ausschliesslich ueber das Internet per Stream und Apps verbreitet. An der Ausrichtung des Senders soll sich hingegen nichts aendern, auch das Moderatorenteam aus Felicien Muffler, Simone Morgenthaler, Pierre Nuss und Jonathan Wah bleibt laut "DNA" unveraendert. Auf France Bleu Elsass laufen werktags zwischen 8 und 12 Uhr und 13 und 16.30 Uhr Sendungen in Elsaessich, einem oberdeutschen Dialekt, in der uebrigen Zeit wird das franzoesischsprachige Mutterprogramm France Bleu Alsace uebernommen.

France Bleu Elsass ist damit ab Januar nicht mehr terrestrisch zu empfangen. Die zumeist aeltere Hoererschaft des Programms soll durch eine Werbekampagne dazu bewegt werden, den Wechsel von der Mittelwelle ins Netz mitzumachen.

Delattre kuendigte gegenueber "DNA" an, dass die Praesenz in Sozialen Netzwerken ausgebaut werden soll, um auch juengere Hoerer fuer die elsaessischen Sendungen zu gewinnen. Seit September 2015 werden zudem mehr elsaessischsprachige Beitraege im UKW-Programm von France Bleu Alsace gesendet (via Mike Cooper, DXLD)

** FRANCE. Media: FROM 1 JANUARY 2016 FRANCE BLEU ELSASS GOING DIGITAL

From 1 January 2016, France Bleu Elsass will be broadcast digitally, and will cease to broadcast on medium wave.

Status and projects. The director of France Bleu Alsace Emmanuel Delattre immediately reassures: France Bleu Alsace continues to issue and profile will not move. But instead of being broadcast on MW, it will be seen on the digital: that is to say over fixed Internet, on application to listen on all laptops and tablet or a Radioweb connected to a livebox.

France Bleu Alsace, who has 85 years on November 11, will not change its programs and will even amplify says Emmanuel Delattre. The man understands that there will be for older fans of the radio listeners a difficulty to go on digital, "we will push them to go, he insists. For Christmas, we will launch a Radioweb operation. We populariserons [sic] as possible the operation to bring all the listeners to follow us on digital".

Remodeling is national. On 1 January 2016, all average [sic] waves disappear for all of Radio France. This fact explains Mr. Delattre, part of the objectives and resources contract which commits Radio France on the 2015-2019 period. The contract is signed with the state.

This technique is changing in the direction as an opportunity to open up to a wider audience, to involve the younger generation to participate in education in Alsatian language.

Emmanuel Delattre insists nothing will disappear in content. "We are working with stakeholders in the digital and Alsatian in the region to move closer to the desires of the listeners," together with the Ministry of Education, the Region, the two county councils.

The grid will not move; ranges from 8 am to 12 am and from 13 am to 16 pm 30 remain in full Alsatian, "the offer will be enriched even thanks to digital."

The range will be 8-12 pm watchable live video. We will take advantage of technological change "to highlight the Alsatian scene that speaks and sings in dialect, younger too. A work will be done on social networks, with bilingual classes, Alsatian teachers." "This is to make this change an opportunity to move forward [...]. This is not to diminish the presence but to extend, "promises Mr. Delattre.

The stakeholder team will not change: the auditors find Felicien Muffler, Simone Morgenthaler, Pierre Nuss, Jonathan Wahl.

And Emmanuel Delattre took the opportunity to stress that the interventions in Alsace on France Bleu Alsace FM broadcast multiply

since last September (WRTH F_B group, by Christian Ghibaudo via France Bleu Elsass, 30 Oct via BC-DX 31 Oct via DXLD)

** FRANCE. 7220, Oct 29 at 0627, bit of music on VG signal, then R. Mondiale Adventiste, La Voix de l`EspÈrance, signing off in French, postal address in Abidjan, CÙte d`Ivoire, presumably studio originating this service, also numerous social media linx. HFCC shows 0600-0630, 250 kW, 200 degrees from Issoudun (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** FRANCE [and non]. 9675, Oct 29 at 0620, RFI`s sole English hour direct from Issoudun is audible, fair signal and lite CCI. What else is there? HFCC B-15 shows 500 kW from Saudi Arabia at 03-15, but suspect it`s wooden. Aoki A-15 reminds us of non-HFCC users which may continue in B-15: R. CanÁ„o Nova, Brasil; R. del PacÌfico, Per˙, both 24 hours but probably not, or inactive; and also had CNR1 from 23 to 09.

9675, Nov 2 at 0631, instead of RFI`s only English hour direct from France, I`m hearing CNR1 in Chinese! Aoki shows it starts too at 0600 (except Tuesday siesta), 100 kW, 37 degrees USward from Beijing 572 site. Did not notice such a problem earlier in the nascent B-15 season, but it`s bad news now. We`ll live for Tuesdays.

Updated B-15 WRMI schedule now shows RFI English relays filling time, some of them for less than the full hour! On 11580: UT Wed, Fri & Sat 0000-0100; on 15770: Mon & Tue 2100-2200; Wed 2115-2200; Thu 2130-2200 (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1798, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

New B-15 services of Radio France International
0600-0700 on 9675 ISS 500 kW / 170 deg to WCAf English
0800-0830 on 15455 ISS 500 kW / 198 deg to WeAf Mandingo
1200-1230 on 21620 ISS 500 kW / 198 deg to WeAf Mandingo
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=72UnujgPtac&feature=youtu.be
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iIsOGdCf2aY&feature=youtu.be
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iIsOGdCf2aY&feature=youtu.be
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wxTPiOqwrv8&feature=youtu.be
73! (Ivo Ivanov, Sofia, B`lgariya, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** GERMANY. Winter B-15 schedule of Deutscher Wetterdienst via transmitter Pinnenberg
0600-0627 6040 PIN 010 kW / ND English/German CUSB, please check!!
2000-2027 5905 PIN 010 kW / ND English/German CUSB, nothing Oct 29
1200-1227 6040 PIN 010 kW / ND English/German CUSB+3 videos Oct 29
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NkB5r1-G8QM&feature=youtu.be
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fcsiHON4708&feature=youtu.be
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=y-TbmKXhp6A&feature=youtu.be
73! (Ivo Ivanov, Sofia, B`lgariya, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Attached German weather recording, Oct 30, at 1204 UT, Carrier on 6040.0 kHz, S=9+10dB signal strength. 6040.120 - 6043.760 kHz USB-mode bandwidth. Suppressed LSB mode rest signal on 6036.600 to 6040.120.

DWD Pinneberg TX test came on air late at 1201:50 UT, switched from carrier AM mode to USB mode at 1204 UT, and started weather report reading by male. 1221:45 UT Final announcement and DWD Pinneberg ID by female voice. TX OFF. Its now frequency requested three channel entries in HFCC season A-15 and B-15, as follows:

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5905 2000-2030 18,27,28 PIN  10 0  0 975 251015 270316 DEU DWD FNA 304
6040 0600-0630 18,27,28 PIN  10 0  0 975 251015 270316 DEU DWD FNA 306
6040 1200-1230 18,27,28 PIN  10 0  0 975 251015 270316 DEU DWD FNA 307
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It's a very low HFCC registration request #304 to 307, by the German FCC like public BNA/FNA frequency management agency. wb df5sx (Wolfgang B¸schel, Oct 30, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** GERMANY. Deutschland: Das Sendezentrum Kall --- Funkhaus Euskirchen e.V., Kuchenheimer Str. 155, 53881 Euskirchen, http://www.shortwaveservice.com/
=== nach eigenen Angaben erst einmal folgenden Wintersendeplan:
0000-2400: 3985 Radio 700, darin:
     0700-0900: Sa So Radio Belarus
     1730-1800: Radio Bulgarien
     1800-1900: Mo-Fr Radio Mi Amigo: Mo Di Fr Englisch, Mi Deutsch, Do Niederl%ndisch
     1900-2030: Radio Bulgarien: Deutsch, 1930 Franzˆsisch, 2000 Englisch
     2030-2100: Voice of Mongolia (Englisch), Sa Radiodienst Polska (Deutsch)
     2100-2300: Radio Belarus
0700-1800: 6005 Radio 700, darin:
     0700-0900: Mo-Fr Radio Belarus
     0700-1100: Sa Radio Mi Amigo: Niederl%ndisch 0900 Deutsch
     0700-1100: So Radio Mi Amigo: Englisch, 0800 Niederl%ndisch, 1000 Englisch
     1100-1300: Sa Radio Mi Amigo: Deutsch, 1200 Niederl%ndisch
     1200-1300: So Radio Amathusia (Niederl%ndisch)
     1300-1400: 4 So Radio Gloria International
     1400-1500: Radio Slowakei International: Deutsch, 1430 Franzˆsisch
     1500-1530: Voice of Mongolia (Englisch)
     1530-1600: Radio Bulgarien
     1600-1700: Mo-Fr Radio Mi Amigo: Mo Di Fr Englisch, Mi Deutsch, Do Niederl%ndisch
     1700-1800: So Hollands Palet (Niederl%ndisch)

0700-1530: 7310 Radio 700, darin:
0700-0800: 7310 Deutsch, 0730 Franzˆsisch
0800-0830: Voice of Mongolia (Englisch)
0830-0900: Radio Bulgarien
1000-1100: 4 So Radio Gloria International
1100-1500: So Radio Mi Amigo: Englisch, 1200 Niederl%ndisch, 1300 Englisch, 1400 Niederl%ndisch
1530-1600: Radio Slowakei International Englisch stundenweise: 9560
0900-1300: Sa Radio Mi Amigo: Deutsch. 1200 Niederl%ndisch
0900-1300: So Radio Mi Amigo: Englisch. 1000 Niederl%ndisch. 1100 Englisch. 1200 Niederl%ndisch
1300-1400: Radio Slowakei International: Englisch. 1330 Franzˆsisch --- Uhr Weltzeit (+1=MEZ) (Dr. Hansjˆrg Biener 29.10.2015, Neulichtenhofstr. 7, DE 90461 N¸rnberg, Hansjoerg_Biener @ yahoo.de, ntt aktuell November 2015 (vorletzte Ausgabe nach 21 Jahren), DX LISTENING DIGEST) Next to last edition after 21 years! (gh, DXLD)

** GERMANY [and non]. [AUSTRIA/BULGARIA/FRANCE/MADAGASCAR/USA]
[sic: USA??? ONE entry below is via WRMI 5985 for NHK, ``YFR``]

MEDIA BROADCAST GmbH (formerly T-SYSTEMS - DTK FMO)
B-15 period (25 Oct 2015 - 27 March 2016)
B-15 operational MBR schedule, planned of Oct 25, 2015. Times UT.

FREQ	STARTSTOP	CIRAF	TX/Ant#	AZI	TYPE	DAYS	LOC	POW	ADM
AWR:									
5975	0400-0430	28SE	340101	140	146	1234567	NAU	100	D
7220	0600-0630	46S	235	200	216	1234567	ISS	250	F
7315	0300-0330	48	310100	140	216	1234567	NAU	250	D
9515	2000-2030	37,38W	310100	210	216	1234567	NAU	100	D
9535	1900-2000	37,38W	320100	215	216	1234567	NAU	100	D
9610	1000-1100	28W	330100	180	216	1.....	NAU	100	D
9830	1600-1630	28SE	350300	145	216	1234567	NAU	100	D
9850	1930-2000	37,38W	310100	210	216	1234567	NAU	100	D
11680	1900-1930	46W	310100	218	216	1234567	NAU	250	D
11750	1530-1600	41N	310100	75	218	1234..7	NAU	250	D
11750	1530-1600	41N	310100	75	218	....56.	NAU	250	D
11860	1730-1800	37,38W	350300	210	216	1234567	NAU	100	D
11880	0700-0730	46S	223	176	196	1234567	ISS	250	F
15145	0800-0830	37,38W	340200	210	218	1234567	NAU	100	D
15145	0830-0900	37,38W	340200	210	218	1234567	NAU	100	D
15150	1500-1530	41N	340200	90	218	1234567	NAU	250	D
15155	1730-1800	48	340200	145	218	1234567	NAU	250	D
15160	0800-0830	37,38W	330200	210	218	1234567	NAU	250	D
15230	0700-0800	37,38W	340200	210	218	1234567	NAU	100	D
15250	1530-1600	41N	340200	90	218	1234567	NAU	250	D

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15480 1300-1330 42,43W           330200  70 218 1.....7 NAU 250 D
15480 1300-1330 42,43W           330200  70 218 .23456. NAU 250 D
15480 1330-1500 42,43W           330200  70 218 1234567 NAU 250 D
15490 1630-1700 48               330200 139 218 1234567 NAU 250 D
15700 0600-0630 46S              340200 181 218 1234567 NAU 250 D
17510 1630-1700 48               340200 140 218 1234567 NAU 250 D
17510 1700-1730 48               340200 141 218 1234567 NAU 250 D

BVB:
 5940 2000-2015 39N              330100 120 216 1234567 NAU 250 D
 5980 0430-0445 39N              340100 120 216 1.....7 NAU 125 D
 5980 0430-0450 39N              340100 120 216 .23456. NAU 125 D
 6030 1830-2000 28,29            350100  90 156 1...... NAU 100 D
 6030 1900-1915 28,29            350100  90 156 ....56. NAU 100 D
 6030 1900-1930 28,29            350100  90 156 ..3.... NAU 100 D
 6030 1930-1945 28,29            350100  90 156 ......7 NAU 100 D
 7220 0800-0830 27,28N           310101 270 146 1...... NAU 100 D
 7220 0800-0830 27,28N           310101 270 146 ......7 NAU 100 D
 7325 0300-0315 39S              340100 128 216 1234567 NAU 250 D
 7365 1800-1830 39,40            320100 105 216 .....6. NAU 100 D
 7365 1800-1900 39,40            320100 105 216 ....5.. NAU 100 D
 7365 1815-1900 39,40            320100 105 216 1...... NAU 100 D
 7365 1830-1900 39,40            320100 105 216 ..3.... NAU 100 D
 9440 0600-0615 46N,47NW,38W,37S 340101 180 146 1234567 NAU 125 D
 9450 0500-0515 39,40            340100 120 216 .....6. NAU 250 D
 9470 1915-1930 39,40            330100 125 216 1...... NAU 250 D
 9515 2030-2045 46N,47NW,38W,37S 330100 180 216 1234567 NAU 250 D
 9715 1800-2000 39               340100 133 216 1.....7 NAU 100 D
 9715 1800-1845 39               340100 133 216 .....6. NAU 100 D
 9715 1800-1830 39               340100 133 216 ....5.. NAU 100 D
 9925 1930-2015 39           EHR(S) 4/4 126 616 1...... SOF 100 BUL
11700 1700-1715 38E,39,40W      1100602 141 616 1234567 SOF 150 BUL
11700 1715-1800 38E,39,40W      1100602 141 616 .2.4.6. SOF 100 BUL
11700 1715-1745 38E,39,40W      1100602 141 616 ..3.... SOF 100 BUL
11790 0200-0300 41                  TK1  50 156 1...... MDC 125 MDG
11790 0200-0215 41                  TK1  50 156 ..3.... MDC 125 MDG
11790 0200-0230 41                  TK1  50 156 ....5.7 MDC 125 MDG
11875 1630-1730 47,48            350300 145 216 1234567 NAU 100 D
11915 1700-1715 39,40            320100 125 218 .....6. NAU 250 D
11915 1700-1745 39,40            320100 125 218 ......7 NAU 250 D
13630 1515-1545 40,41            350300  95 216 ......7 NAU 100 D
13630 1515-1600 40,41            350300  95 216 .....6. NAU 100 D
15525 1600-1800 38S,39S,47,48    310200 148 218 1...... NAU 100 D
15525 1600-1830 38S,39S,47,48    310200 148 218 ..3.... NAU 100 D
15525 1600-1800 38S,39S,47,48    310200 148 218 .2..... NAU 100 D
15525 1630-1700 38S,39S,47,48    310200 148 218 .....6. NAU 100 D
15525 1630-1800 38S,39S,47,48    310200 148 218 ...4... NAU 100 D
15525 1630-1800 38S,39S,47,48    310200 148 218 ....5.. NAU 100 D
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15525 1630-1730 38S,39S,47,48    310200 148 218 ......7 NAU 100 D
15525 1730-1800 38S,39S,47,48    310200 148 218 ......7 NAU 250 D
17510 1400-1430 41 1st at month RI01002  83 216 ......7 ISS 250 F
17510 1430-1500 41              RI01002  83 216 ......7 ISS 250 F
17540 0830-0915 38,39            330200 145 218 .....6. NAU 125 D
17540 0900-0915 38,39            340200 145 218 ......7 NAU 125 D
21480 1200-1300 43S,44S              TM  45 157 ......7 MDC 125 MDG
21480 1215-1230 43S,44S              TM  45 157 1...... MDC 125 MDG
21480 1130-1145 45N                  TM  45 157 1...... MDC 125 MDG

DWL:
 9800 0300-0400 48SW,52E,53NW  RII01002 140 211 1234567 ISS 500 F
 9800 0630-0700 46,47W         RII01002 170 211 1234567 ISS 500 F
12005 1800-1900 46,47W         RII01001 165 211 1234567 ISS 500 F
13610 1800-1900 46,47W         RII01002 172 216 1234567 ISS 500 F
15275 0700-0800 37-39,46-57    RII01011 175 157 1234567 ISS 500 F
15275 1700-1800 37-38,46-53    RII01008 170 217 1234567 ISS 500 F
15560 1700-1800 37-38,46-53         221 185 196 1234567 ISS 500 F
17800 1300-1400 46,47W         RII01008 170 217 1234567 ISS 500 F

EMG:
 6055 1130-1200 27,28            310101 222 146 1.....7 NAU 125 D

GFA:
 7215 0030-0130 40E,41NW         330100 100 216 1234567 NAU 250 D
 7240 2330-0030 41NE,43S,49N     330100  85 216 1234567 NAU 250 D
15150 1530-1630 40E,41NW         320200  99 218 1234567 NAU 250 D
15235 1330-1530 41NE,43S,49N     320200  85 218 1234567 NAU 250 D
15285 1230-1500 41               340200  89 218 1234567 NAU 250 D

HCJ[B]:
11900 1530-1630 29S              330100 100 216 ......7 NAU 100 D

JOY:
 7330 1100-1200 27,28  1st at month   6 283 805 1...... MOS 100 AUT

KBC&):
 6095 0900-1600 18SW,27,28W,37N  350100 240 156 1...... NAU 100 D
 7395 2300-0200 2,3,4,6,7,8,9,10 320100 300 216 ......7 NAU 125 D

LWF:
 9800 1830-1900 46S,47SE     HR 4/4/0.5 180 216 1234567 ISS 500 F

MVB:
 6140 0900-1000 27,28E                6 270 805 1......#MOS 100 AUT

MWF:
 9465 1600-1630 29,30            340101  60 146 ......7 NAU 250 D
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13710 1200-1230 19-26            310200  60 218 ......7 NAU 250 D

NHK:
 5985 0400-0430 11,12               LPH 222 805 1234567 YFR 100 USA
 9620 0300-0500 38-40            330100 140 216 1234567 NAU 250 D
 9765 1700-1900 38-40            330100 140 216 1234567 NAU 250 D

OGM:
17630 1600-1630 47E,48       HR 4/4/0.8 130 217 ..3...7 ISS 500 F

PAB:
 9685 1930-2000 37,38            330100 155 216 1...... NAU 250 D
15205 1400-1430 41               310200  95 218 1...... NAU 100 D
15205 1415-1430 41               310200  95 218 .234567 NAU 100 D
15205 1430-1445 41               310200  95 218 1...... NAU 250 D

RIY:
17605 1700-1800 48SW,58NW    HR 4/2/0.8 144 207 ......7 ISS 100 F

SBO:
17630 1700-1800 38E,39S,48       320200 135 218 1..4... NAU 100 D

TRS:
 6095 0900-1100 18SW,27,28W,37N  350100 230 156 .2..56. NAU 100 D

TWR:
 7215 0930-1000 28               310101 135 146 1234567 NAU 100 D
 7300 1500-1528 28,29,30         310101  65 146 1234567 NAU 100 D

VOK:
17580 1700-1730 48E          HR 4/4/0.5 120 216 .23456. ISS 150 F
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Day 1 = Sunday ... Day 7 = Saturday

List of Broadcasters which are using MEDIA BROADCAST technical equipment:

AWR Adventist World Radio
BVB High Adventure Gospel - Bible Voice Broadcasting
DWL Deutsche Welle Bonn / Berlin, Germany
EMG Evangelische Missionsgemeinden in Deutschland
GFA Gospel for Asia
HCJ Reach Beyond (former HCJ Voice of the Andes),
    Sats only, 1530 UT Russian, 1600 UT Chechen language.
JOY Joystick, 1st Sun
KBC Mighty KBC Radio, Sat/Sun. Sun to North Americas.
LWF Lutheran World Federation
MVB Mecklenburg-Vorpommern Baltic Radio. # = only via order

MWF Missionswerk Friedensstimme, Gummersbach - Germany
NHK Nippon Hoso Kyokai, Radio Japan World, Tokyo, Japan.
OGM NGO [RHU Radio Huriyo Xoriyo Ogaden]
    <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Non-governmental_organization>
    <http://fr.wikipedia.org/wiki/Organisation_non_gouvernementale>
PAB Pan Am Broadcasting
RIY RPRK Radio Inyabutatu, in Kinyarwanda to Ce/EaAfrica.
SBO Sagalee Bilisummaa Oromoo, Voice of Oromo Liberation.
TRS Transport Radio on Mon/Thu/Fri only.
TWR Trans World Radio
VOK Target Region Khaatumo in central Somaliland.

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I have no idea what most of the numbers in the TX/ANT# column mean nor
have seen any key to them (gh)

** GOA. INDIA, New B-15 frequency of All India Radio on October 28:
1315-1415 NF 11560 PAN 500 kW / 300 deg to WeAs Dari, ex 11740
1415-1530 NF 11560 PAN 500 kW / 300 deg to WeAs Pashto, ex 11740

73! (Ivo Ivanov, Sofia, B`lgariya, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** GREECE. Reception of Voice of Greece on Oct 27/29. Oct 27:
1235-1301 9420*AVL 170 kW / 323 deg WeEu Greek
1301-1306 9420*AVL 170 kW / 323 deg WeEu English
1306&1501 9420*AVL 170 kW / 323 deg WeEu Greek, but no signal 1655 UT

Oct 29:
from 0835 9420 AVL 170 kW / 323 deg WeEu Greek, but no signal 0855 UT

Oct 29, again back on air
from 1230 9420*AVL 170 kW / 323 deg WeEu Greek
1301-1306 9420*AVL 170 kW / 323 deg WeEu English
1306-1807 9420*AVL 170 kW / 323 deg WeEu Greek, but no signal 1855 UT
* 1100-1805 co-ch China National Radio 13 in Uyghur

Voice of Greece transmissions on October 30:
till 0700 on 9420 AVL 170 kW / 323 deg to WeEu Greek
0700-0800 on 9420 AVL 170 kW / 323 deg to WeEu Vary^
0800-0802 on 9420 AVL 170 kW / 323 deg to WeEu Greek and off
^ news in Serbian, Romanian, Spanish, Russian, Polish,
Albanian and Italian. Today missing language - Arabic.

Updated winter B-15 SW schedule of Voice of Greece. Some days the station used 1 or 2 frequencies or no broadcast on the air. Often the technicians don't make freq changes according to the schedule These frequencies are not registered in winter B-15 HFCC database.

0000-0455 on 9420 AVL 170 kW / 323 deg to NoAm Greek
0000-0455 on 9935 AVL 100 kW / 323 deg to NoAm Greek
0500-0700 on 9420 AVL 170 kW / 323 deg to WeEu Greek
0500-0700 on 11645 AVL 100 kW / 182 deg to NoAf Greek
0700-0800 on 9420 AVL 170 kW / 323 deg to WeEu Vary^ Mon-Fri
0700-0800 on 11645 AVL 100 kW / 182 deg to NoAf Vary^ Mon-Fri
0700-0800 on 9420 AVL 170 kW / 323 deg to WeEu Greek Sat/Sun
0700-0800 on 11645 AVL 100 kW / 182 deg to NoAf Greek Sat/Sun
0800-0900 on 9420 AVL 170 kW / 323 deg to WeEu Greek
0800-0900 on 11645 AVL 100 kW / 182 deg to NoAf Greek
0900-1200 on 9420 AVL 170 kW / 323 deg to WeEu Vary+ Mon-Fri
0900-1200 on 11645 AVL 100 kW / 182 deg to NoAf Vary+ Mon-Fri
0900-1200 on 9420 AVL 170 kW / 323 deg to WeEu Greek Sat/Sun
0900-1200 on 11645 AVL 100 kW / 182 deg to NoAf Greek Sat/Sun
1200-1255 on 9420*AVL 170 kW / 323 deg to WeEu Greek
1200-1255 on 11645 AVL 100 kW / 182 deg to NoAf Greek
1300-2255 on 9420*AVL 170 kW / 323 deg to WeEu Greek#
1300-2255 on 9935 AVL 100 kW / 285 deg to WeEu Greek#
2300-2400 on 9420*AVL 170 kW / 323 deg to NoAm Greek
2300-2400 on 9935 AVL 100 kW / 323 deg to NoAm Greek

* co-ch China National Radio 13 in Uyghur 1100-1805UT
^ 3-6 minutes news Mon-Fri in Serbian, Romanian, Spanish, Russian, Polish, Albanian, Italian, Arabic and music between each language.
+ 2-3 minutes news Mon-Fri in Arabic, Polish 0905-0910, then Greek
+ 2-3 minutes news Mon-Fri in Serbian, Romanian, Russian 1005-1020
+ 2-3 minutes news Mon-Fri in Spanish, Albanian, Italian 1105-1115
# 3-6 minutes news Mon-Fri in English 1300-1305 and then in Greek.

Shortwave schedule of Voice of Greece by transmitters
tx#1 is off due to maintenance
0500-0700 on 11645 AVL 100 kW / 182 deg to NoAf Greek
0700-0800 on 11645 AVL 100 kW / 182 deg to NoAf Vary^ Mon-Fri
0700-0800 on 11645 AVL 100 kW / 182 deg to NoAf Greek Sat/Sun
0800-0900 on 11645 AVL 100 kW / 182 deg to NoAf Greek
0900-1200 on 11645 AVL 100 kW / 182 deg to NoAf Vary+ Mon-Fri
0900-1200 on 11645 AVL 100 kW / 182 deg to NoAf Greek Sat/Sun
1200-1255 on 11645 AVL 100 kW / 182 deg to NoAf Greek
1300-1305 on 9935 AVL 100 kW / 285 deg to WeEu English
1305-2255 on 9935 AVL 100 kW / 285 deg to WeEu Greek
2300-0455 on 9935 AVL 100 kW / 323 deg to NoAm Greek
tx#2 is off during winter B-15
0400-0955 on 15630 AVL 100 kW / 285 deg to WeEu Greek
1000-1855 on 15650 AVL 100 kW / 105 deg to SoAs Greek
1900-2255 on 15650 AVL 100 kW / 285 deg to WeEu Greek
2300-0355 on 15630 AVL 100 kW / 260 deg to CeAm Greek
tx#3
0500-0700 on 9420 AVL 170 kW / 323 deg to WeEu Greek
0700-0800 on 9420 AVL 170 kW / 323 deg to WeEu Vary^ Mon-Fri
0700-0800 on 9420 AVL 170 kW / 323 deg to WeEu Greek Sat/Sun
0800-0900 on 9420 AVL 170 kW / 323 deg to WeEu Greek
0900-1200 on 9420 AVL 170 kW / 323 deg to WeEu Vary+ Mon-Fri
0900-1200 on 9420 AVL 170 kW / 323 deg to WeEu Greek Sat/Sun
1200-1300 on 9420 AVL 170 kW / 323 deg to WeEu Greek
1300-1305 on 9420 AVL 170 kW / 323 deg to WeEu English
1305-2300 on 9420 AVL 170 kW / 323 deg to WeEu Greek
2300-0500 on 9420 AVL 170 kW / 323 deg to NoAm Greek
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, Oct 30, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Voice of Greece on new freq 9415, Nov. 4 till 0705 in Greek, from 0705 in various languages -- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, QTH: Sofia, Bulgaria, ibid.)

And I don't see 9415 listed on any frequency schedule site. do they just change frequencies at will or something? I wonder how well 9415 will do in north America compared to 9420 (Paul Walker, AR, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Don`t assume yet that it`s a permanent change. They have jumped to 9415 before for brief periods (Glenn Hauser, ibid.)

Voice of Greece on new frequency, November 4
till 0705 NF 9415 AVL 170 kW / 323 deg to WeEu Greek, instead of 9420
0705-0800 NF 9415 AVL 170 kW / 323 deg to WeEu Vary^, instead of 9420
from 0800 NF 9415 AVL 170 kW / 323 deg to WeEu Greek, instead of 9420
^ news in Serbian, Romanian, Spanish, Russian, Polish,
Albanian and Italian. Today missing language - Arabic.
Transmitter#1 on 9935/11645 is off due to maintenance.

No broadcast of Voice of Greece on 9415 around 1115 UT.

Nothing heard around 16 UT on 9415/9420/9935 kHz channels but heard some Greek programs and pirate Greek music stations (Wolfgang B¸schel, Nov 4, ibid.)

Voice of Greece, Nov. 4 clearer than most recent days, at 1856 thru past 1900, on 9420. Nothing on 9415 or 9935, at this time. GK px, with publicity for UEFA Champions League footy, theme song included, with "echoed" voiceover. ENG [?] bridge music, and sports roundup on EuroCup basket, soccer, etc. SIO 433. 73s (Marty DelfÌn, Madrid, Spain, Roadstar TRA 2350P (telescopic antenna), dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

GRECIA, 9420, Helliniki Radiophonia, Avlis, 1900-1907, escuchada el 4 de noviembre de 2015 en griego con sintonÌa, ID, locutor y locutora con comentarios, m˙sica de la "Champions League", comienza la emisiÛn a esta hora, ya que minutos antes no habÌa emisiÛn, tambiÈn empieza con efecto eco y poco a poco desaparece, emisiÛn de m˙sica pop, locutor con comentarios presenta a otro locutor, SINPO 45544 (JosÈ Miguel Romero, Spain, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Voice of Greece in Greek from 1905 again on 9420, instead of 9415 earlier today morning -- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, QTH: Sofia, Bulgaria, ibid.)

Makes sense why they are on full this evening in Europe --- carrying live Olympiacos and Dinamo Zagreb Champions League match from 1945 on 9420, nothing on 9935. 73s (Marty DelfÌn (Madrid), ibid.)

Now at 2010 UT heard VoGreece radio with live coverage of popular UEFA Champions League game Piraeus vv Dinamo Zagreb, Croatia, on footprint 9420.005 kHz via SW Avlis unit.

From 2000 UT noted on adjacent channel 9410 kHz - terrible FIREDRAKE music against RFA Chinese sce from Agignan Point at Marianas, Pacific, scheduled 20-22 UT. Broadband jamming from China mainland covers also 9402.3 to 9417.7 kHz white noise buzz range, and interfers some VoG program 'lower side' signal (Wolfgang B¸schel, Nov 4, ibid.)

Good signal in New Brunswick on 9420 kHz at 2125 UT. Might be coverage of a football game (Richard B. Langley, ibid.)

Voice of Greece on 9420 kHz, November 4 & 5:
1907 & 2000 9420 AVL 170 kW / 323 deg to WeEu Greek
from 0400 9420 AVL 170 kW / 323 deg to NoAm Greek
0540-0708 9420 AVL 170 kW / 323 deg to WeEu Greek
0703-0731 9420 AVL 170 kW / 323 deg to WeEu Vary^
^ Serbian/Romanian/Spanish/Russian, off air at 0733

Voice of Greece was back again on air, Nov 5
0915-1005 9420 AVL 170 kW / 323 deg to WeEu Greek
1005-1015 9420 AVL 170 kW / 323 deg to WeEu Romanian/Serbian/Russian
1015-1105 9420 AVL 170 kW / 323 deg to WeEu Greek
1105-1115 9420 AVL 170 kW / 323 deg to WeEu Spanish/Italian, missing Albanian
1230-1530 9420 AVL 170 kW / 323 deg to WeEu Greek, co-ch CNR 13 in Uyghur
73! (Ivo Ivanov, B`lgariya, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** GUAM. 15435, Nov 2 at 2201, SE Asian? music, fair, 2205 two or three IDs sounding like Radio Atmen, or Atren?? in Indonesish. HFCC shows it`s KSDA, 100 kW, 255 degrees in Sundanese on Mon/Wed/Fri/Sat; Sun/Tue/Thu in English (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** HONDURAS. HRN LA VOZ DE HONDURAS CUMPLE 82 A—OS --- Este domingo HRN ìLa Voz de Hondurasî, cumple 82 aÒos al servicio del paÌs. En m·s de ocho dÈcadas, esta emisora ha estado ligada al corazÛn del pueblo hondureÒo. Aquel 1 de noviembre de 1933, se hicieron realidad los esfuerzos y la decisiÛn de los fundadores de HRN: Don Rafael Ferrari GarcÌa y su esposa, Rosario Sagastume Torres de Ferrari. . .
http://www.radiohrn.hn/l/noticias/%C2%A1estamos-de-aniversario
(via JosÈ Miguel Romero2, dxldyg via DXLD)

** INDIA. Could someone please check, which AIR station is drifting or has spurious on 1505.2 kHz? Thanks, (Mauno Ritola, Finland, Oct 28, dx_india yg via DXLD)

** INDIA. AIR Thiruvanthapuram is noted back on SW 5010 & 7290 after being off air for a few weeks. Their website is
http://www.airtvm.com/
Yours sincerely, (Jose Jacob, VU2JOS, National Institute of Amateur Radio, Hyderabad, India, Oct 29, dx_india yg via WORLD OF RADIO 1798, DXLD)

5010, AIR, Thiruvananthapuram, 1652-1715, 31-10, hindi music 34433 (Manuel MÈndez, Lugo, Spain, Logs in Friol and Lugo, Sangean ATS-090X, Tecsun PL880, Degen, 31MS active loop antena and cable antenna, 8

meters, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** INDIA [and non]. 9620, Oct 29 at 1303, S Asian music mixing with Chinese, flutter. HFCC B-15 shows from 1215 to 1600 both AIR Aligarh and CNR Beijing. Aoki A15 showed AIR in Sindhi, and CNR2 until 1300 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

All India Radio in DRM su 7550 kHz --- Ciao a tutti gli amici del gruppo. Ascoltata All India Radio il 30 0ttobre alle 1900 UT su 7550 kHz, frequenza non segnalata nella lista delle stazioni operanti in DRM. Segnale ottimo e sempre stabile, ascolto eccellente. La stazione trasmette da Bangalore come si evince dal quadro di ricezione tipico delle stazioni DRM. Allegato gli screenshot della ricezione ed un file audio. Condizioni di lavoro: Kenwood TS 440 e antenna dipolo. Convertitore autocostruito. Per informazioni su questo componente, consultare il mio sito. Buona serata (Giovanni Lorenzi, ITALIAN AMATEUR RADIO STATION I T 9 T Z Z ESCLUSIVAMENTE IN TELEGRAFIA Sito web> http://www.webalice.it/it9tzz [1] QRZ.com page> http://www.qrz.com/db/it9tzz [2], Oct 30, bclnews.it yg via DXLD)

9690, Nov 1 at 0022, mentions BBC World Service, and All India Radio, 0022 outroing a ``BBC produxion``, at odd time, into autotune music. It`s not BBC but AIR GOS in English, 500 kW, 90 degrees from Bengaluru at 2230-0045.

9445, Nov 2 at 2207, AIR GOS news in English, fair; 2225 IDs as AIR World Service.org; 2226 programs on tomorrow`s broadcast (at 1000?), 2229 closing down here until 1000 for Australia/New Zealand, but 2230 still on as another English newscast starts until cutoff at 2231*. Sloppy operation from Bengaluru, 500 kW at 325 degrees favorable for us; much better here than // 11670 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** INDIA [non]. ARMENIA, Frequency change of Trans World Radio India from Nov 2, 1245-1600 NF 12025 ERV 300 kW / 100 deg to SoAs, ex 11625:

1245-1300 Kui Sat; Santhali Sun
1300-1315 Ho Sat; Kumaoni Sun
1315-1330 Marwari Sun-Tue; Mewari Wed/Thu; Braj Bhasha Fri; Bengali Sat
1330-1345 Bondo Sun; Maithili Mon/Tue; Kasmiri Wed;
1330-1345 Tibetan Thu; Haryanvi Fri; Garhwali Sat
1345-1400 Kuruk Sun
1345-1415 Maithili Mon-Fri; Bundeli Sat
1400-1415 Kharia Sun
1415-1430 Magahi Sun/Mon; 1415-1430 Mundari Tue/Wed; 1415-1430 Kuruk Thu-Sat
1430-1445 Sadri Sat/Sun

1430-1500 Sindhi Mon-Fri; Chodri Sat/Sun
1500-1515 Bhili Tue/Wed; Gamit Mon; Vasavi Thu/Fri
1500-1530 Gamit Sat/Sun
1515-1530 Mouchi Mon/Tue; Dhodiya Wed/Thu
1530-1615 Urdu Sat/Sun
73! (Ivo Ivanov, B`lgariya, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** INDONESIA. 4749.95, RRI-Makassar, Nov 01 1154-1204, 33433, Indonesian, Talk, ID at 1158, 1200 Jakarta news relay (Kouji Hashimoto, JAPAN, RX, IC-R75, NRD-525+RD-9830, NRD-345, Satellit 750, DE-1121; ANT, 130m Sloper Wire, 303WA, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** IRAN [and non]. 9710, Oct 29 at 0358, RHC with SAH presumably from Voice of Justice on reactivated B-15 frequency for English to N America, foolishly chosen to collide again with Cuba. At 0400 RHC plays short version of NA at local midnite, but does not go off; instead a couple minutes of news until 0403* after which Iran is weakly audible in the clear. // 7325 for it is inaudible, really on the air? Cuba plans to move from 9710 to 6075 but not until Nov 16.

7300, Oct 31 at 0233, very poor signal with music, unknown language. HFCC shows it`s IRIB in Uzbek at 0220-0250, 500 kW, 18 degrees from Sirjan; should be better at 0250-0320 in Armenian after switch to 320 degree azimuth, more USward.

9895, Oct 31 at 0244, Qur`an fair at S6. HFCC shows it`s IRIB in Arabic, 0230-0530, 500 kW, 289 degrees from Zahedan --- so look out for this frequency to jump up or down a kHz or two like 9420, 9510 did in A-15, if it`s the same transmitter. They had two but only one is accounted for on current schedules from this site.

6110, Oct 31 at 2359 music into Chinese talk at 0000 Nov 1, poor at only S9+10. I`m about to conclude it`s China, rather Tibet as in Lhasa, scheduled almost 24 hours here, until I see HFCC B-15 also with IRIB in Mandarin, 500 kW, 75 degrees from Sirjan at 2320-0020, and Lhasa is supposed to be in Tibetan (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** IRAN [non]. Reception of Radio Ranginkaman/Rainbow on Oct 30:
1700-1730 on 7550 TAC 100 kW / 236 deg to WeAs Farsi Mon/Fri
No signal via Secretbrod on registered freqs 9990, 11590, 12075
www.youtube.com/watch?v=clxxfFYySuo&feature=youtu.be
www.youtube.com/watch?v=EZjrWeXaKUE&feature=youtu.be
73! (Ivo Ivanov, Oct 30-31-Nov 1, dxldyg via DXLD)

** IRELAND & IRELAND NORTHERN. Church Logs Nov 1 --- Hi Glenn!

Nov 1, 1040-1100 UT

27301 St. Michael¥s Church Freemount, Co. Cork
27601 Church of the Immaculate Conception of the BVM Newcastle West,
      Co. Limerick
27615 St. Mary¥s Church Berrings, Co. Cork
27651 Church of St. Michael the Archangel Ballylongford, Co. Kerry
27831 Church of Immaculate Conception Blarney, Co. Cork

Nov 1, 1100-1200 UT
27315 St. Mary¥s Church Newmarket, Co. Cork
27515 Church of the Immaculate Conception Rathcormac, Co. Cork
27671 Church of Mary Queen of Peace Glenravel, Co. Antrim (tent.)
27761 St. Gerard¥s Church Newtownabbey, Co. Antrim
27801 St. Mary¥s Church Ardmore, Co. Derry
27815 Church of the Immaculate Conception Boherbue, Co. Cork
27991 St. Peter¥s Church Shankill/Lurgan, Co. Armagh (Polish mass)

Nov 1, 1200-1240 UT
27275 Holy Cross Church Kenmare, Co. Kerry
27505 SS Peter & Paul Church Kilmallock, Co. Limerick
27661 Sacred Heart Church Glounthaune, Co. Cork
27701 St. Patrick¥s Church Fermoy, Co. Cork
27721 SS John & Paul Church Tullyvarraga, Co. Clare
27795 SS Peter & Paul Church Clarecastle, Co. Clare
27831 Church of Immaculate Conception Blarney, Co. Cork
73, (Patrick Robic, Austria, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ITALY. Monitored the low-power experimental Italian time signal station JN53DV [I suppose that`s its grid locator as if it were ham?] on 15000 kHz around 15 to 16 UT today using the University of Twente SDR receiver. Mostly a good signal but faded away almost completely at times for minutes on end. Time pips on the minute followed by announcement in Italian. Time pips preceded by FSK date and time code with segments of classical and light music otherwise. Longer announcement followed by CW giving website URL in the minute at the half and full hour. Time pips might be synchronized to UTC (hard to tell with the slight delay from the receiver over the Web) but it looks like the frequency is a bit off exactly 15000 kHz. I measured it to be about 140 Hz low, i.e., 14999.86 kHz. Is the station known to be not spot on 15000 kHz? Has anyone else measured its frequency?
(Richard Langley, NB, Nov 3, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

One could hardly expect it to be precise in time or frequency as it`s a pirate, or ``unofficial``. As such they should move it completely off the standard frequencies to avoid interfering with real stations
(gh, DXLD)

Rich, ITALY, 5000varying, Time Signal Station ItalCable replica of IBF, Torino, Italy, heard from Dec 15, 2011:

ItalCable, Via del Borgo 6, 55049 Viareggio (LU), Italy.
Location is 43 54 48 N, 10 17 44 E
<qsl @ radiomaria.org> v/s Giampiero Bernardini and Claudio Re.

Identification by male announcements in Italian, French and English:

"IBF, IBF, IBF, Standard Frequency and Time Signal from the National Electrotechnical Institute, Turin, Italy". It's only a (bad) amateur hobby station relaying and old IBF recording, not "IBF"* ... beautiful electronic kiddy toys, with terrible disruption of other standard and time signal stations worldwide.

Was always odd frequency, started in 2012 around 4999.986 kHz. Has been never on exact frequencies xxx.0000 kHz like oscillator controlled standard signals from RWM Taldom Moscow, WWV USA, WWVH Hawaii, PPE Brazil, or JG2XA HFC Japan. At 0010 UTC Nov 4th ItalCable heard on footprint 9999.987 kHz. wb df5sx

*IBF, a standard frequency and time signal service operated by the National Electrotchnical Institute "Galileo Farraris" in Torino, Italy until November 1, 1991 (Wolfgang B¸schel, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

It's a shame (Roberto Scaglione, Sicily, ibid.)

** JAPAN. Kansas TP DX 10-29-15 --- JOIB and JOUB were heard in Garden City KS on a barefoot Skywave receiver this morning, 10-29-15. JOIB heard with barely audible to poor signal //774 at 1145-1147 UT. JOUB with a poor to fair signal at 1143-1145 and again at 1211-1213. Household QRM ended the session at 1214. Good DX (Richard Allen, Garden City KS USA, IRCA via DXLD) ex-Perry OK; near Billings

** JAPAN. 11665, Oct 31 at 2116, J-pop and Japanese announcement from NHK, back here for B-15 at 21-23, fair signal. Presumably will collide with Malaysia after 2200, but avoids 11670 India, and soon, 11670 Cuba (what`s wrong with RHC staying on legacy 11760 at 1900-2130? Nothing else known there) (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** KOREA NORTH. Re VOK E-mail: vok@star-co.net.kp --- A friend of mine was 10 days in P5 land as tourist, his snail mail postcard took 2 months to Germany, the local KRE post stamped the picture post card after 8 days!!! Very slow postal service there. 73 wb df5sx (Wolfgang B¸schel, Oct 27, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

In the past, VOK had an email whitelist. You had to send them something by snail mail providing your address to be added so your messages would be let through. If not, the message would be silently

rejected. Iím not sure if this is still the case at VOK, but several state agencies have the same system. Maybe someone can confirm? I suppose North Korean email addresses make attractive targets for political and religious mailings and spam (Martyn Williams, ibid.)

** KOREA NORTH. 7220, Nov 2 at 0630, VOK IS and ID in English, fair with self-imposed grinding noise bleedover from the adjacent jammers. Aoki shows this is a 200 kW ND transmission from Kujang. There is another one at 0430, which after 0500 would collide with RRI Romanian and CRI English via Albania (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

7579.992, I came across VOK Japanese service on odd 7579.992 kHz scheduled 0730-1330 UT, S=9+25dB signal on remote unit in Brisbane Australia. Latter odd footprint outlet seemingly originate from either Pyongyang or Kanggye broadcast center instead of Kujang powerhouse site? [It`s only 8 Hz off --- gh]

3250.0, 0730-1330 UT S=6 signal in Brisbane Australia remote SDR unit
6070.0, 0930-1330 UT S=9+5dB signal
9650.0, 0730-1330 UT S=9+20dB signal
(Wolfgang B¸schel, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Oct 30, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** KOREA NORTH [non]. JAPAN, New time and frequencies of Shiokaze Sea Breeze eff from October 25, YAMATA 300 kW / 280 deg to NE Asia:
1300-1400 7400 Tue Japanese, instead of Chinese
1600-1700 5990 Tue Japanese, instead of Chinese

1300-1400 7400 Wed Korean, instead of Japanese
1600-1700 5990 Wed Korean, instead of Japanese

1300-1400 7400 Thu Korean, instead of English
1600-1700 5990 Thu Korean, instead of English
73! (Ivo Ivanov, Sofia, B`lgariya, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)
But on next Thu, Nov 5, Ron Howard says 1300 was in English (gh, DXLD)

** KOREA NORTH [non]. 7400, Shiokaze/Sea Breeze via Yamata (Japan), new time of *1300-1400*, Nov 1 (Sunday); ex: 1330-1430; ex: 6020; two half hour segments; first in Japanese and second in Korean; usual format; during program played a warning siren, which is not played during the days with English.

Not a good frequency, as Aoki shows CRI is here 1300-1357, in Burmese. Yes, noted Shiokaze mixing badly with China till 1357. Thanks to Hiroyuki Komatsubara and Ivo for the changes.

https://app.box.com/s/ca72yscnskiwgu624fdao2mpzaxqip5d
contains my audio (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, E1 & CR-1, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1798, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

! Quite a departure from always on the 49m band before. Maybe now we can hear it further and longer into deep North America. HFCC has 7400 registered at 1300-1400:
7400 1300 1400 44,43N YAM 300 290 0 148 1234567 251015 270316 D Mul J JIC MIC 3883
(Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

These two requests of CRI Burmese #2496 and Shiokaze / Sea Breeze Yamata #3883, appeared on August 1st already, so any of these co-channel parallel registrations didn't disappear after frequency management software check on HFCC database (Wolfgang B¸schel, dxldyg via DXLD)

7400, Nov 4 at 1331, sad piano music characteristic of Shiokaze, but heavy splash from 7405 Cuban jamming and R. MartÌ, upon this very weak signal. Yes, Sea Breeze has moved here as first reported Nov 1 by Ron Howard, ex-6020; a first for them, as always previously jumping among half a dozen alternates in the 6 MHz band. Moving up to 7 MHz would otherwise help it to penetrate further into deep North America, presumably with English on Thursdays only. Too, CRI in Burmese is already on 7400 until 1357*!

I check the ``J  JIC MIC`` registrations in HFCC B-15, and find 7400 included, but at 13-14 UT, 300 kW, 290 degrees from Yamata, JAPAN. Others listed available, not all during same timespans: 7220, 7240, 7245, 7260, 7435, plus many, many in the 6 MHz band, most of which have never been used by Shiokaze (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1798, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** KOREA NORTH [non]. CLANDESTINA, 6003, Eco de EsperanÁa, Hwaseong, Coreia do Sul, 2255-..., 01/11, emiss„o em coreano dirigida ao vizinho do norte, texto, m˙sica; 22431, sinal empastelado pela Coreia do Norte (Carlos GonÁalves, southwest coast of Portugal, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** KOREA NORTH [non]. PREACHING ACROSS THE DEMILITARIZED ZONE --- CHRISTIANS BROADCAST NEWS INTO NORTH KOREA, BUT IS ANYBODY LISTENING?
http://www.ucanews.com/news/preaching-across-the-demilitarized-zone/74520

When North Korea celebrated 70 years since the founding of the ruling party on Oct. 10, leader Kim Jong-un's message was one of unity and strength. After a parade of missiles and goose-stepping troops, the young dictator said North Korea had become an "impenetrable fortress" ready for war with the United States in a speech replayed on state television and radio.

That evening, a Christian radio station broadcast one of the few messages contrary to that narrative. Based in Seoul, Free North Korea

Radio talked about Hwang Jang-yop, a founder of the Korean Workers' Party. It went on to explain how Hwang defected to South Korea in 1997 and converted to Christianity.

"He came to recognize a greater power than the Kim regime," read the broadcaster, according to a transcript seen by ucanews.com. "He came to know God, the creator of all things." Christian radio stations based in South Korea have overcome a host of obstacles to broadcast their religious message across the demilitarized zone. Whether many North Koreans tune in remains less clear.

Propaganda war

An ideological war has been waged over North Korea's airwaves since the peninsula divided at the end of the Korean War in 1953. A handful of state broadcasters pump out a steady diet of propaganda built around the Kim clan. In response, defectors have teamed up with stations in South Korea to broadcast information censored by the regime, including religious messages.

Far East Broadcasting Company, a station set up by American World War II veterans to evangelize in Asia, began transmitting the Gospel to North Korea in 1953. It was the only regular religious broadcaster into the communist state for more than half a century, until 2006, when two more American-led stations launched ó Free North Korea Radio and Voice of the Martyrs Korea.

Operated by Defense Forum Foundation, a U.S. nonprofit organization led by former servicemen and politicians, Free North Korea Radio produces secular news while offering slots to Christian sponsors. Every Easter weekend it broadcasts a Catholic service, and a Catholic Mass is planned next month, Suzanne Scholte, the foundation's president, said by email.

Established by American Pastor Eric Foley and his Korean wife Hyun Sook, Voice of the Martyrs, Korea broadcasts every day for 90 minutes, reaching every corner of North Korea. Its message is one of hope tinged with despair. The station's North and South Korean announcers copy a broadcasting style familiar to people north of the demilitarized zone, offering tips on how to be a Christian leader in a country where religion is banned. Programs aim to help the estimated 300,000 Christians secretly worshipping inside North Korea to understand the persecution they face.

"North Korean Christians suffer more than you or I, yet they often don't understand that suffering," says American Pastor Tim Dillmuth, a spokesman for Voice of the Martyrs Korea. "A lot of Christians interpret that God is angry with them or they are not leading a good

Christian life because of their suffering. So we try to offer them teaching to help them understand."

The regime has tried to block these pirate Christian broadcasters but it's fighting a losing battle. All radio sets sold legally in North Korea must be tuned to government stations only and are fixed with a tamper-proof seal. However, with the collapse of the state economy in recent years and the influx of goods across the Chinese border, black-market sets are now common. Some groups in South Korea also fly radios, leaflets and DVDs over the demilitarized zone in air balloons.

Surveys suggest there may be as many as 2 million shortwave radios in North Korea today. Broadcasters like Voice of the Martyrs Korea use shortwave frequencies because these can travel further. But these frequencies are more prone to jamming. The regime typically uses a "jet plane noise" to block radio transmissions from the south, with mixed results.

North Korea reportedly upgraded its radio broadcasting and jamming equipment in 2011 but chronic electricity shortages have undermined efforts in the past. Voice of the Martyrs Korea is able to switch frequencies and relocate antennas, says Dillmuth. "Probably one of the best testimonies to the effectiveness of our broadcasts is the amount of effort the government uses in blocking our broadcasts," he says.

Audience

Amid all the jamming and the counter broadcasts, one important question remains: are people actually listening? Voice of the Martyrs Korea includes testimony on its website from an anonymous defector who said she heard Christian broadcasts while inside North Korea. Dillmuth supplied two other witnesses, one of whom said she was in prison and overheard other people in her cell talk about hearing such programs.

Those claiming to have heard these broadcasts inside North Korea remain rare, says Jung Jin-Heon, a researcher at the Max Planck Institute for the Study of Religious and Ethnic Diversity. Author of the book "Migration and Religion in East Asia: North Korean Migrants' Evangelical Encounters," Jung has interviewed dozens of defectors over the past 20 years and says question marks remain over the effectiveness of such broadcasting. "I found little impact of both secular and religious propaganda broadcasting to the North, on the people, in reality," he says.

Radio broadcasters that transmit into North Korea remain among the few media organizations in the world with little idea of their audience size. Their mission remains one of faith.

Scholte of the Defense Forum Foundation did not respond to a request for an interview about Free North Korea Radio, but did say by email she felt the station was making an impact. "I absolutely believe there are underground believers, both Catholic and Protestant, but also that the church is growing in [North Korea] with the flow of information."

Posted by: (JOSE MIGUEL ROMERO ROMERO, dxlydg via DXLD)

** KOREA NORTH [and non]. USING PSYOP AGAINST NORTH KOREA
Andrew Injoo Park is is a former intern for Korea Studies at the Council on Foreign Relations (CFR).

[. . .] First part deals mainly with balloons, leaflets, loudspeakers; see original for that, and numerous embedded linx --- gh]

http://blogs.cfr.org/asia/2015/10/28/using-psyop-against-north-korea/

Why is North Korea so irritated by PSYOP?í According to Lee Kwang-baek, the president of Radio Free Chosun (an NGO that has been transmitting radio broadcasts to North Korea since 2005), ìthe majority of North Korean citizens, thirsting for the news from the outside world, listen to the propaganda broadcasts, which fan the flames of their doubt about Kim Jong Unís regime.î Also, according to the 2012 White Paper on North Korean Human Rights by the Database Center for North Korean Human Rights, a survey on 1,983 defectors living in the South in 2011 showed that North Koreansí longing for experience with foreign societies grew by 44 percent and that desire to defect grew by 32.8 percent after watching or hearing South Korean broadcasts.

Hence, the United States and South Korea should capitalize on North Koreaís psychological weakness and greatly expand the use of PSYOP as a tool of leverage toward Pyongyang. Specifically, the United States and South Korea should take following measures:

The two countries should resume PSYOP, including loudspeaker broadcasts and large electrical screens at the DMZ if the North launches another provocation. As Lee Soo-suk, a senior fellow at the Institute for National Security Strategy, argues, the [South Korea] has the means to press the North thanks to a phrase in the joint statement released after the recent crisis at the DMZ; South Korea can essentially choose to resume loudspeaker broadcasts if ìan abnormal situation breaks out.î

South Korea should conduct smaller-scale PSYOP. First, the South Korean National Assembly should pass Assemblyman Ha Tae-kyungís ìNorth Korea Private Broadcasting Production Bill,î which was proposed on August 27. When the South Korean government ceased all of its radio

and TV broadcasting toward the North in 2004, numerous defector-led NGOs began to broadcast radio and fly balloons, filled with leaflets, radios, USB drives, and DVDs. According to Ha, the South Korean government is not funding the NGOs, while the U.S. government funds the Voice of America and Radio Free Asia, and the British government funds BBCís shortwave radio broadcasting toward the North.

The United States and South Korea should also funnel radios into North Korea through Chinese merchants that deal with North Koreaís jangmadang (black market). According tothe 2012 White Paper on North Korean Human Rights by the Database Center for North Korean Human Rights, 20.7 percent of North Koreans acquire radios from a jangmadang or traders, and 25.9 percent acquire from friends or the military (the Korean Peopleís Army gathers radios and other items sent along with leaflets by the South).

Furthermore, Kim Cheol-su, a defector who escaped from the North last year, testified that ìup to 30 to 40 percentî of North Korean citizens now listen to illegal radio channels and are learning the truth about the Kim Jong-un regime.

The recent DMZ crisis has demonstrated the North Korean regimeís acute sense of vulnerability with regard to PSYOP, which could be an excellent tool of leverage against the regime. In addition, more exposure to the outside world could gradually reshape how ordinary North Koreans think and could bring about unification of the two Koreas (via JosÈ Miguel Romero2, dxldyg via DXLD)

** KOREA NORTH [non]. TAJIKISTAN, Reception of several clandestine broadcasts to North Korea

Radio Free North Korea
1200-1300 on 9470 DB 100 kW / 071 deg to NEAs Korean
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rJjD2N1Ouz4&feature=youtu.be

National Unity broadcasting station, ex Radio Free Chosun
1300-1500 on 7515 DB 100 kW / 071 deg to NEAs Korean
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VEayFcYdt0A&feature=youtu.be
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=m0ur_dYAmLs&feature=youtu.be

Voice of Wilderness
1330-1530 on 7620 DB 100 kW / 071 deg to NEAs Korean
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OZUryxcHngU&feature=youtu.be

North Korea Reform Radio
1430-1530 on 7590 DB 100 kW / 071 deg to NEAs Korean
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-4BYakr_ZlI&feature=youtu.be
73! (Ivo Ivanov, B`lgariya, Nov 4-5, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** KOREA SOUTH. 3985 & 3912, Oct 29 at 1220, AM carriers with bits of modulation but heavy QRhaM, the S Korean clandestines, and/or N Korean jammers. Wolfgang B¸schel heard more near 4058, Oct 14 at 1235 via SDR in Japan, which could be a leapfrog mixing product of these another 73 kHz higher --- if they are at the same transmitter site, despite Aoki listing different ones: Kyonggi-do Koyang for V. of the People on 3912; Hwaseong for Echo of Hope on 3985; while the jamming is all from Kujang site in the North (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** KOREA SOUTH. KBS WORLD TRANSMITTER SITE KIMJE UNDERGOING RENOVATION

Hello, the most up-to-date satellite picture (18 September 2015) on Google Earth from the KBS World Transmitter Site Kimje (Gimje, Kimjae, ??: 35 49'11.22"N 126 51'46.81"E) reveals the fact that the site is being modernised. The most western antenna field gets new steel lattice towers to replace the ageing single mast steel towers. And it appears that the foundations of some of the masts where reinforced with concrete. Though I searched for any news on the subject in German, English and Korean I couldn't find any publicity as yet. Please feel free to spread the news by mentioning the source: Arnulf Piontek, Berlin, Germany. THANK YOU! Enjoy our common hobby, vy 73s, (OM Arnulf Piontek, Berlin, Germany, Nov 1, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

This was first reported a year ago, and since then various announcements have been made about services being degraded (gh, DXLD)

** KOREA SOUTH [non]. 9955, Nov 3 at 1342, KBS World Radio relayed by WRMI, but I`m afraid it`s a mistake, as still scheduled at this time is R. Slovakia International (one UT hour later than during DST). We enjoy it, since KBS doggedly (and stupidly) stix to 15575 for their only direct broadcast to North America during this same hour, inaudible in the B-season and much of the A-season. Yes, checked again and nothing propagating.

At 1344 it`s `Korea Panorama`, all about their KTX bullet trains, SK being only the sixth country to have them (not including USA, of course), and how the network is being expanded. This program is interrupted at 1359 for sports bit from WRMI and off the air at 1400* an hour earlier than it should be now. The originally 1-hour KBS broadcast may have started at 1330 so we are only halfway thru it. I suppose WRMI automation was still set up to capture RSI on WRN feed, but the time for that has shifted and now it`s KBS coming over.

I`ve notified Jeff White, including: ``I look at your updated 9955 program grid and see everything(?) is merely supposed to have shifted one UT hour later as usual. Also I don`t see any note that it`s web only from 10 am to 5 pm [EST]. But I hope it will be fixed by tomorrow

morning so WORLD OF RADIO can be on 9955 at 1415.5 UT. 73, Glenn``
More under USA: WRMI (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST) It was

** KURDISTAN [non]. IRAN(non)[sic], Open carrier of Denge Kurdistan on November 2
0400-0700 9400 KCH 300 kW / 130 deg WAs Kurdish, open carrier/dead air
from 0700 9400 KCH 300 kW / 130 deg WAs Kurdish again was back on air:
73! (Ivo Ivanov, B`lgariya, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Denge Kurdistan jammed? There's now strong carrier on 9400.70 making severe het to Denge Kurdistan on 9400. Switching to LSB is resolving the problem. Is it jamming or something else? (Wojtek Zaremba, Legionowo, Poland, 1808 UT November 2, Icom IC-R75 with T2FD, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

9400, Nov 4 at 1335, very assertive Kurdish talk by woman, good with flutter, rather than FEBC Philippines in Chinese scheduled here until 1400: its other non-// Chinese service on 9430 quite poor. By 1424, Kurdish music with heavy flutter, presumably mostly-music one hour later than in A-15; by 1442 faded to very poor.

Altho HFCC registered as KCH = PRIDNESTROVYE only for the entire 04-22 UT 9400 span, Aoki breaks down the sites this way: 04-06 France, 06-15 Pridnestrovye, 15-18 Bulgaria, 18-20 France, 20-22 Pridnestrovye. Does Ivo agree? (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST) No, but yes at this hour; If you [non] it, make it either KURDISTAN or TURKEY, not IRAN:

IRAN(non) [sic] Winter B-15 of Denge Kurdistan by transmitters
0400-0800 9400 KCH 300 kW / 130 deg WeAs Kurdish
0800-1200 9400 ERV 300 kW / 192 deg WeAs Kurdish
1200-1500 9400 KCH 300 kW / 130 deg WeAs Kurdish
1500-1700 9400 SCB 100 kW / 090 deg WeAs Kurdish + 2nd harmonic 18800
1700-2000 9400 ISS 250 kW / 090 deg WeAs Kurdish
2000-2200 9400 KCH 300 kW / 116 deg WeAs Kurdish
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, Sofia, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1798, DXLD)

Denge Kurdistan, 9400, 1402 4 NOV - DENGE KURDISTAN (CLA) in KURDISH from GRIGORIOPOL. SINPO = 25212. ?Middle Eastern Language?, male announcer. QSB=ff. sf118.6 a32, k5, geomag: minor storm. 300 kW, beamAz 116 , bearing 23 . Sangean ATS505 with Kaito KA33 in west facing window. Received at Las Vegas, United States, 10123 km from transmitter at Grigoriopol. Local time: 0602 (Rodney Johnson, NV, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

FRANCE, Open carrier/dead air plus weak Denge Kurdistan on Nov. 4:
from 1820 on 15560 ISS 250 kW / 170 deg to WeAf, instead of R. Biafra
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=51e5T1UqDuY&feature=youtu.be
73! (Ivo Ivanov, B`lgariya, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** KURDISTAN [non]. PHILIPPINES, Strong co-channel between FEBA [sic] Radio and Denge Kurdistan:
0800-1200 9400 ERV 300 kW / 192 deg to WeAs Kurdish Denge Kurdistan
0900-1400 9400 IBA 100 kW / 330 deg to EaAs Chinese FEBA Radio
1200-1500 9400 KCH 300 kW / 130 deg to WeAs Kurdish Denge Kurdistan
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VYFU4gc0iIY&feature=youtu.be
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eDfn3vvyIEk&feature=youtu.be
73! (Ivo Ivanov, B`lgariya, Nov 4 or 5, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

FRANCIA, 9400, Dengue Kurdistane, Issoudun, 1825-1830, escuchada el 4 de noviembre de 2015 en kurdo, locutora con ID "Dengue Kurdi", comentarios, emisiÛn de m˙sica pop kurda, SINPO 34333 (JosÈ Miguel Romero, Spain, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** LIBERIA. 6050, ELWA Radio, Monrovia, 0535-0610, 01-11, English, religious songs. 24322 (Manuel MÈndez, Lugo, Spain, Logs in Friol and Lugo, Sangean ATS-090X, Tecsun PL880, Degen, 31MS active loop antena and cable antenna, 8 meters, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** LITHUANIA. QUANDO IL GIOCO SI FA DURO: RADIO BALTIC WAVE CAMBIA LA SUA POLITICA QSL IN POCHI MINUTI --- RADIO BALTIC WAVE QSL POLICY CHANGES IN A FEW MINUTES (SUMMARY IN ENGLISH)

In response to a reception report Rimantas Pleikys of Radio Baltic Wave which relays RFE/RL on 1386 kHz sent me a thank you message which didnít include any basic detail about my reception. I wrote a second E-mail and asked whether or not I should expect to receive a full data verification letter. He replied that as from February 2015 they stopped sending verification letters by snail mail. I sent a third E-mail to Mr. Pleikys in which, after taking note of their new QSL policy, I commented that if such decision was due to the fact that verifying reports requires time and money, a good compromise could be a verification letter sent as a pdf file by E-mail.

The story had a happy ending with Mr. Pleikys who finally sent me a full data QSL letter as a pdf file accompanied by some pictures of their medium wave transmitter and antennas (Antonello Napolitano, Taranto, Italy, DX FANZINE nr. 26 via DXLD)

** MADEIRA. 1530, Posto Emissor do Funchal, Poiso, 0557-0615, 01-11, Portuguese songs, at 0600 identification song: "Posto Emissor do Funchal...". 12221 (Manuel MÈndez, Lugo, Spain, Logs in Friol and Lugo, Sangean ATS-090X, Tecsun PL880, Degen, 31MS active loop antena and cable antenna, 8 meters, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MALI. 9635, R. Mali, Kati, 1110-..., 01/11, dialecto local, texto;

35443, mas modulaÁ„o extremamente dÈbil, por vezes, a nÌvel que diria ser zero, tal a "intensidade" do ·udio (Carlos GonÁalves, southwest coast of Portugal, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MEXICO. 710.0, Oct 29 at 1245 UT, `CuestiÛn de Minuto` seems to be title of a news segment, ID for La Ranchera de CuauhtÈmoc, XEDP, 710 y 89.7 FM. Using its on-frequency transmitter site at the moment, but not at all unusual to hear the low-het at night from the other site. EfemÈrides items, text number, weather, Chihuahua news. Believe I also heard a UT -6 TC go by, tho I would have expected UT -7 already from deep Chihuahua beyond the frontera (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MEXICO. 730, Nov 1 at 0048, W and then M with extremely rapid-fire long list of addresses and phone numbers. I don`t see how even a native speaker could possibly copy or remember them at that rate, without taping and transcribing. Mentions Zaragoza several times, but that`s a ubiquitous Mexican name; e.g. suburb of Ju·rez, but this is probably the only Chihuahuan, far from there, and the usual dominator of 730, XEHB in Parral, as it loops roughly southwest (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MEXICO. Heard on an Eton E1-XM and 366 foot wire: 780, XEXY, 11/1 1816 [CST = 0016 UT Nov 2], Ciudad Altimarano, GR, MEX --- you can knock me over with a feather over this one. La Poderosa Voz del Balsas with grupera and announcing La Poderosa between every song. It`s weak but fairly steady. Some fades but comes back. Normally WBBM owns this frequency here. New 733 (Kevin Redding, Crump, TN, ABDX via DXLD)

Nice! I don't think I even had them during my Feb 2004 XE DX sessions in Houston. Lucky they mentioned Voz de Balsas. XESFT is also La Poderosa if I recall correctly. 73 (Tim Hall, CA, Sent from my BlackBerry 10 smartphone, ibid.)

That's who I thought they were at first (Kevin Redding, ibid.)

** MEXICO. 800, XEROK, Cd. Ju·rez, Chih. OCT 26 1231 - Ju·rez ad, then a "Radio CaÒÛn" slogan. Not off the air as previously thought but operating on greatly reduced power. XEROK is usually a "blowtorch" here, so 800 is more DX-able these days from this location (John Wilkins, Wheat Ridge CO; Drake R8, 4-foot box loop, NRC IDXD Nov 6 via DXLD)

** MEXICO. 990, XET, Monterrey, NL, OCT 11 0358 - Huge signal with banda music, "La T Grande de Monterrey" slogan, full ID included doorbell chimes and "HAP" in Morse code. I don't know the significance of "HAP" in Morse code, but should be a good way to ID this station (Chris Knight, N0IJK, Schertz TX; ELAD FDM-S2, ICOM R75, 7 by 7-ft

Mini-SuperLoop antenna, Sony ICF-7600GR with Amidon 7.5" tunable ferrite rod, NRC IDXD Nov 6 via DXLD)

** MEXICO. 1560, Nov 1 at 0041, gospel huxter in Spanish, roughly east-west, very poor, 0042 into song and soon lost. Only SS:REL in NRC AM Log is KVAN in Washington, no way; so how about MÈxico? Yes, XEJPV in Ciudad Ju·rez, is RELigious per IRCA Log. And per my log of over a year ago: ```1560, Oct 21 at 0547 UT, ``Radio Viva, 100% m˙sica cristiana``, i.e. XEJPV``` (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MEXICO. 6185, Nov 2 at 0633, open carrier/dead air, no doubt XEPPM failing to turn off the transmitter at 0600 (instead of 0500* during A-15). Too bad they don`t let the modulation run too, probably RFI Spanish relay (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MEXICO. No doubt due to the geomagnetic storm, off-season sporadic E has been sparked into VHF, November 4, UT:

1505 on 2, fade-in some weak video

1507 on 2, same-offset video CCI; 6m ham map shows only one contact, between CO and SD

1508 on 2, weather and 1510 ``en Monterrey`` (but XEFB 2 is gone)

1510 on 2, star bug in LR from Televisa-2 net with CCI including a large 7 across the screen

1515 on 2, star bug dominates, still same-offset CCI, celebrity interview with YL star of ``Fear of the Living Dead`` with multiple mikes in front of her, including 7 label but may well be on net-2

1517 on 3, video CCI here as MUF ascends

1522 on 2, net-7 bug LR, but still talking about Monterrey: therefore it is Info 7 via XHTAU Tampico

1523 on 4, now some CCI as MUF goes higher

1528 on 2, CCI marimba music --- still probably a Mexican, no 2 in Guatemala

1534 on 2, same-offset CCI including large 5 logo

1537 on 2, Bugs Bunny cartoon amid CCI, probably typical net-5 fare

1537 on 4, f bug LR from Foro TV with `Matutino Express` --- could be flagship XHTV in MÈxico DF

1544 on 3, celebrity interview; a large 2 flashes over screen, but not Televisa logo

1546 on 3, net-5 animation audio mixing with video as above

1557 on 2, ``todos los gatos`` ad on video in `hoy` program = Televisa-2, mix with animation audio

1557 on 3, animation audio from Televisa-5 net // 2

1559 on 2, echo animation audio from two net-5 transmitters

1614 on 2 & 3, still CCI; 1620 fading; 1630 2 bits

1635 on 2, fade-in again with PSAs, ads

1637 on 2, M·s Vision promo, 1638 mention Guadalajara, i.e. XEWO-TV

1639 on 2, f bug LR, Matutino Express, probably still from XEWO

1652 on 2, still weak audio & video in & out; to be continued?

So with all this co-channel QRM in a moderate off-season Es opening, there are obviously still plenty of analog low-band transmitters on the air in Mexico (the apagÛn analÛgico has mostly been in the north, I think). There are now rumblings that the entire country will not be ready for a total blackout by December 31 as planned (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1798, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MEXICO. RAYMIE`S MEXICO BEAT this week ---

It's more News from Pleno: some concessions were extended, some new ones were opened up, and we have not much more information:

There were six new specific-station and five new unified concessions, for public AM and FM radio stations in various states. (These may not be new stations. It sounds more like a migration of permits. But we won't know until we get more information.)

A concession extension and a concession migration were approved for a commercial television station in Coahuila.

Also authorized were some transfers of station control (shares in a station) for XHAQ-FM Agua Prieta Son., and a TV station in Durango.

The IFT also authorized changes to the legal-technical framework for auxiliary broadcast services.

http://www.ift.org.mx/comunicacion-y-medios/comunicados-ift/es/el-ift-aprobo-las-condiciones-tecnicas-minimas-para-la-interconexion-entre-concesionarios-que-operen
    Last edited by Raymie; 10-30-2015 at 04:42 AM. (Raymie Humbert, Phúnix AZ, originally Oct 29, WTFDA Forum via DXLD)

Have a transmitter site: Cerro Loma Batea, Tepic, Nay.
https://www.google.com/maps/@21.5329833,-104.9106476,3a,34.9y,280.13h,107.14t/data=!3m6!1e1!3m4!1sb1xFX9-QULCfP_2TnBif4w!2e0!7i13312!8i6656?hl=en

One of Mexico's nicer tower farms. Can't drive right up to the facilities in Street View, but you get one of the greatest views of the whole setup. The Street View picture is very recent and shows the work that has gone into the towers for digital television.

If you drive down a bit you can see a building with the mid-2000s IPN Once TV logo on it. I have no idea whose it is as the IPN has never had a TV station in Tepic. It might be XHTPG-10 from the days when XHTPG was Canal Once-heavy; it would explain why the logo hasn't been repainted since as has happened at actual IPN sites.
(Raymie Humbert, Oct 30, ibid.)

Here is a news story from Televisa Monterrey about the problem of people still having no TV after the analog shutdown in Monterrey:
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-Fi3uUT5p2s
(Mike, southeastern Louisiana, Nov 1, ibid.)

Chiapas is a state full of pirate radio stations.

But pirate STATE-OWNED radio stations? Well, Chiapas has them too!

I don't know why, but there are several radio stations in the Chiapas state radio network that are not official: a 98.3 in Motozintla, 102.5 in Siltepec (DXed and logged earlier this year ó I supplied the ID), and "XERA-FM" 101.5 San Cristobal de las Casas.

Apparently the Motozintla and Siltepec stations were supposed to be on AM. In the 1970s a planned Motozintla station would have been on 1030 but flooding wiped out its equipment once it was installed and they couldn't get the remaining parts to bring the station to air. In 2012, the FM station was hit when protesters stormed the facilities of the municipality and sacked them. (This is what it looked like.)
http://descubriendomotozintla.blogspot.com/2012/10/perdida-total-en-la-estacion.html
Here's more info, being saved because I think the site is going down and it was in the Google cache:

    "Dentro de los programas que el gobierno del Dr. Velasco Suarez, tenÌa contemplado para esta regiÛn estaba la de colocar una

radiodifusora con 10,000.Watts de potencia y 1,030khz. En Amplitud Modulada (AM), El terreno estaba ubicado en lo que ahora es el JardÌn de NiÒos Prof. Edgar Robledo Santiago, que abarcaba adem·s hasta donde se localiza el terreno de la Escuela Secundaria."24 de febrero" y el parque infantil.

Las pruebas se realizaron pero resulta que el equipo se inundo y no hubo alg˙n patronato que rescatara ese equipo; que en ese entonces era carÌsimo, todo se perdiÛ ya parte del equipo lo trasladaron a Tuxtla, Gtez. Lo dem·s quedo ac· y poco a poco se fue perdiendo, y todo apunta al parecer por un transformador que no colocaron en la torre de Mozotal, donde seria la repetidora, -la cual para eso fue construida,- a que por ese caso es que nunca funciono.

La otra estaciÛn de radio en Frecuencia Modulada (FM) y que en este aÒo el gobierno del estado a travÈs del Sistema Chiapaneco de Radio, TelevisiÛn y CinematografÌa. (SCHRTYC), optaron por llevar a cabo la instalaciÛn de radios Radio Siltepec, y Radio Motozintla, (CorazÛn de la Sierra) en Frecuencia Modulada (FM) y en el dial de 98.3 FM, que estaba en pruebas de hacia cerca de cuatro meses y sus oficinas ubicadas provisionalmente en la presidencia municipal en la planta baja y como repetidora, la Torre de Mozotal con cerca de 3,000 metros sobre el nivel mar.

El problema suscitado exactamente hace un mes (30 de Sept.de 2012), de los disturbios post-electorales, en donde inconformes con la presunta imposiciÛn de Oscar RenÈ Gonz·lez Galindo, quemaron patrullas y el edificio de la Presidencia Municipal, la Casa de Cultura y Hacienda del Estado. Dentro del cual la radio 98.3 FM sufriÛ la quema de las oficinas y asÌ la pÈrdida de su equipo total, entre transmisores, consolas y equipo de computo entre otras pÈrdidas materiales, debido al saqueo por v·ndalos de la ciudad, que hubo en los disturbios." (via Raymie, Nov 1, ibid.)

Not entirely unheardof - Jeff Kadet once logged a pirate TV station which, after further investigation, turned out to be operated by the county sheriff in a town some distance away (Doug Smith W9WI, ibid.)

I remember seeing the photos. There are many, many pirate FMs, and the IFT shuts down and seizes dozens of them. Many of them are in underserved areas, especially in southern Mexico in states like Oaxaca and Chiapas. The problem is that it's been traditionally hard and full of red tape to get a permit (or, now, a social concession), with legal costs and whatnot.

There are important pirates even in Mexico City. For a time in the mid-90s, there was 5-watt Televerdad on 89.1. There was a campus radio station on 94.9 operated by the Tec de Monterrey campus. On 102.9 is

Ke Huelga, with roots in the 1999 UNAM strike and one of the keys in the foundation of modern Mexican community radio. Last year a 99.7 was seized in Mexico City.

I expect the 400 kHz change to create a serious crush on new stations. The IFT will need to balance demand for new public, social and commercial radio stations with AM-FM migrations in Mexico City, where about a dozen new stations will be available, and elsewhere in cities where they can slot in new stations but migrants did not get the chance to move (Raymie, Nov 2, ibid.)

Local reports suggest Durango finally has digital parity.

While we've known of the XHUAD intermittent operation authorization on 46 for months, the real surprises are XHUNES 16.1 (likely the physical channel), which had no authorization available, and the fact that 46 would operate in digital outside of overnight hours. Could the Universidad AutÛnoma de Durango have conducted a flash cut?
EDIT: The answer is no, it's just a rather traditional intermittent case. Last edited by Raymie; 11-03-2015 at 11:14 PM. (Raymie, ibid.)

I'm just going to leave this here:
http://www.01800consumidor.com/irregularidades-en-cancun-la-gente-no-sabe-que-es-el-apagon-analogico/

"When they were asked if they knew what the apagÛn analÛgico was about, one citizen assured that it's when they turn off the lights all night..."
    óóó
More IFT meeting agendas and more opportunities to figure out what's going on.

    > A reprieve for XETNC and XETEB. New concessions were issued for these state network AMs (Nay. and Camp.) which had confusing permit statuses. XETEB is kind of on its way out, but XETNC, not so much.

    > New FMs. Alfonso Ibarra ValdÈs, Chalmerita, A.C., RRADIOTL, A.C., Rey Tariacuri, A.C., and Radio Agricultores del Valle de Sinaloa, A.C., received new social concessions. Some of these sound like community radio stations getting legal concessions.

    The first guy might be in Colima or even Toluca. Chalmerita is likely this former community radio station in Chalma, Veracruz that had its facilities seized in 2011.
http://archivo.vazquezchagoya.com/?p=11614

RRADIOTL is not an acronym, it's simply "radio" in N·huatl. Tariacuri is a PurÈpecha word and the station is very likely to be in Michoac·n.

The last concessionaire speaks for itself.

Last edited by Raymie; 11-05-2015 at 12:05 AM. (Raymie, originally Nov 4, WTFDA Forum via DXLD)

** MOLDOVA. 85 years with Radio Moldova --- On October 30, the National Radio Moldova marks its 85th anniversary of foundation.
http://www.trm.md/en/social/radio-moldova-85/
Posted by: (Leo Barmaleo, Nov 1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MONGOLIA. 12035, Voice of Mongolia, Ulaan Baatar, *0859-0911, 01-11, tuning music, identification "Voice of Mongolia", English, comments, music. 14221 (Manuel MÈndez, Lugo, Spain, Logs in Friol and Lugo, Sangean ATS-090X, Tecsun PL880, Degen, 31MS active loop antena and cable antenna, 8 meters, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MOROCCO. MARROCOS, 711, SNRT-Reg., El Ai˙n, ressurgiu, apÛs uma ausÍncia prolongada, desta vez com o que parece ser um novo tx, a julgar pela qualidade da modulaÁ„o. Pelas 1300 de 02/11, foi captada com retransmiss„o do canal principal, Al Watania, SINPO 45454; pelas 2302 de 29/10, a programaÁ„o era local, SINPO 54433, QRM da Fr·ncia (Carlos GonÁalves, southwest coast of Portugal, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MOROCCO. Marokko: Das staatliche marokkanische Radio und Fernsehen hat jetzt ein Portal mit Zugang zu vier Hˆrfunk- und bis zu acht Fernsehkan%len, von denen einige noch als im Test bezeichnet werden. Die Radiostrˆme finden sich unter folgenden Adressen:

http://snrtlive.ma/alidaa-alwatania
(Hauptprogramm in Arabisch)
http://snrtlive.ma/alidaa-alamazighia
(Minderheitensprachen, vormittags Hauptprogramm)
http://snrtlive.ma/idaatmohammedassadiss
(Koran-Programm, f¸r Nachrichten parallel zum Hauptprogramm)
http://snrtlive.ma/chaineinter
(ChaÓne Inter)

Nach Angaben des Grille de Programmes ChaÓne Inter 2015/2016
http://snrtlive.ma/docs/grillechaineinter.pdf
ist das internationale Programm fast durchgehend in Franzˆsisch. Es enth%lt allerdings zwei halbe Stunden in Spanisch und Englisch, die samstags bis donnerstags um 13.00 bzw. 13.00 Uhr Ortszeit (im Winter = UT) ausgestrahlt werden. Am Freitag wird der Sendeplatz mit einer Wiederausstrahlung des islamischen Freitagsgebets belegt. Nachrichten in Franzˆsisch, Englisch und Spanisch werden stattdessen bereits um 12.30 Uhr Ortszeit ausgestrahlt (Prof. Dr. Hansjˆrg Biener, Neulichtenhofstr. 7, DE 90461 N¸rnberg, Hansjoerg_Biener @ yahoo.de, ntt aktuell November 2015 (vorletzte Ausgabe nach 21 Jahren), DX

LISTENING DIGEST) Next to last edition after 21 years! (gh, DXLD)

** MYANMAR. 5915.00, 0005-0025 4.11, Myanma R, Naypyidaw. Bamar talk and music, 34333, QRM from 5920 AP-DNK

5985.00, 0000-0010 4.11, Myanma R, Naypyidaw, Bamar talk with frequent drum interludes, 34333, QRM from 5990 AP-DNK

6165.00, 0025-0040 4.11, Myanma R, Pyin U Lwin, Chin ann (not Chinese!), pop music, 0029 song by choir, 0035 female introducing in Kachin, 0037 indigenous music 35232 (Anker Petersen, Denmark, via Dario Monferini, playdx yg via DXLD)

** NETHERLANDS [non]. The Mighty KBC is on unannounced 7350 kHz at 2300-0200 UT October 31/November 1, 2015!!! Probably due to Radio Romania Int on 7395 kHz at 2300. The "Giant Jukebox" is going strong at 7350 kHz. Pass the word and tune in! 73, (Kraig Krist, VA, 2317 UT Oct 31, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1798, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

I'm hearing The Mighty KBC on unadvertised 7350 kHz, with good signal. A traditional set-piece broadcast, perhaps Radio Romania International, is on the advertised 7395, with a lesser signal. A minute of MFSK32 will be at 0130 UT on whatever frequency KBC might be using at that time (Kim Elliott, 2321 UT Oct 31, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1798, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Also clashed on 7395 with BBC Oman at 0100-0130. Now on 7350 will clash with CRI English via Kashgar at 00-02, which we have been hearing altho weakly (Glenn, OK, 2331 UT, ibid.)

This frequency selection by MBR broker in last week to place KBC 7395 kHz is a very bad clash. RadioCom RRI Bucharest requested the 7395 kHz channel registration at 23-24 UT on July 16 this year. MBR op schedule noted this 7395 KBC request last week on 25 October! in MBR internal schedule. Only in remote NJ-US the Nauen KBC is the only program on unit. In various remote posts in western Europe you hear THREE programs, CRI English powerful ahead, some CNR PBS program also, and as third signal some weak music signal of KBC MBR Nauen too. Bad broadcaster program mixture (Wolfgang B¸schel, 2358 UT, ibid.)

7395, Oct 31 at 2348 bears R. Romania International, S9+ but very poor with noise, bits of jamming on the side. It`s aimed eastward, after all, but apparently because of this 23-24 transmission, The Mighty KBC via GERMANY is already gone from its new frequency, moved without notice to 7350, as quickly reported by those who have a stake in it, near-Washingtonians Kim Elliott and Kraig Krist.

This will also avoid another collision, with BBC on 7395 at 0100-0130

which others have noted. But what about 7350? I`ve been hearing a weak signal from CRI English via East Turkistan, scheduled 0000-0200, but not a problem tonight with very strong signal from KBC, S9+40 at my first check 2348. At 0000 UT November 1, `The Giant Jukebox` is starting with Eric van Willigen; he refers to the previous hour having been `The Dave Macon Show`, from America? 0101, Part two of the G.J., still no CRI CCI audible. Eric may well have mentioned the frequency change when I wasn`t listening; or was it news to him too, imposed by MBR? (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1798, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

In the southern part of Saxony-Anhalt KBC has no chance against a strong 500 kW of CRI 7350 kHz:

```
         kHz: 7350
     UTC/PSN: 2300-0157
     Days/PI: 1234567 (Mo-Su)
    Language: english
     Station: CHINA RADIO INTERNATIONAL
     Country: TKS (China)
Transmitter: Kashi-Saibagh 2022
    Latitude: 39.3500
   Longitude: 75.7500
  Modulation:
  Power (kW): 500
      Target: 308
    Distance: 5000
     Bearing: 80
       Notes: CRI b15
     Details: 41 m from China
QTH locator: MM79vi03ax
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On the former 7395 kHz only BBC currently with a moderate signal

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         kHz: 7395
     UTC/PSN: 0100-0130
     Days/PI: 1234567 (Mo-Su)
    Language: hindi
     Station: BBC
     Country: OMA (Oman)
Transmitter: Al Seela
    Latitude: 21.9667
   Longitude: 59.4500
  Modulation:
  Power (kW): 250
      Target: 63
    Distance: 5224
     Bearing: 111
       Notes: BBC b15
     Details: 41 m from Oman
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QTH locator: LL91rx32xa

What a creepy frequency change (roger Thayer, 0117 UT Nov 1, ibid.)

I went searching for Mighty KBC on 7395 at 2300 on October 31, 2015 (their most recently reported frequency) and they were not to be found. I turned the dial a little and found them on 7350. See their email reply back to me below. 73 - (Dean Bonanno, Durham, Connecticut, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Anfrage:
    Hi Guys - Picking you up loud and clear (2345 ut Oct. 31, 2015) on a surprising frequency 7350, I had not heard you would be occupying that spot. Really enjoying the Halloween Music. If you get a chance, how about Elton John's Funeral For a Friend? I am listening on a 1938 Emerson AR-176 (appropriately, a Tombstone!) using 40 feet of copper wire. 73 - Dean Bonanno, Durham, Connecticut 06422 USA

----- Forwarded Message -----
From: KBC <themightykbc@gmail.com>
Sent: Mon, 02 Nov 2015 10:55:50 -0000 (UTC)

Hi Dean, Thank you for your reaction and report. It's much appreciated. They moved us to 7350, don't know why, still waiting for a reply. Have a great week and we see you Saturday. Best regards,
Eric van Willegen
KBC RADIO 1602AM / DAB+
http://www.kbcradio.eu
http://www.facebook.com/TheMightyKbc
http://www.k-po.com/index.php?dir=banner
Buy from our sponsors:
http://www.worldreceiver.eu
http://www.k-po.com
(via Bonanno, WORLD OF RADIO 1798, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** NEW ZEALAND. Re: Rusting Titahi Bay radio masts to be demolished

The current 220 metre mast is not the original from 1937. It was replaced in the late 1970's by the current mast. The original was rusting badly.

Titahi Bay has a harsh climate. The 220 metre mast is only a few hundred metres from the sea and strong winds and gales constantly blow salt spray over the masts causing corrosion. The current mast lasted about the same length of time as the first mast. The 50 metre mast is an emergency tower erected around 1964, so it has lasted well. All that is left is a 500 foot tall tower built about 5 years ago. Everything will run off that (Gordon Brown, NZ, NWDXC via topnews Oct

17 via BC-DX 31 Oct via DXLD)

** NEW ZEALAND. 11725, Oct 29 at 0623, RNZI is VG tonight interviewing a rugby player; in fact sounds louder than 11780 Brasil. 9700, Oct 29 after 1300, RNZI also good here (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** NICARAGUA. 8989-USB, Oct 29 at 2336, very poor S4 signal with preaching in Spanish, mentioning ``el SeÒor`` every few seconds, i.e. the so-called ``pescador predicador`` allegedly circa Nicaragua.

8989-USB, Oct 31 at 2351, pescador preacher is S4 with usual ``SeÒor`` stuff (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

NICAR¡GUA, 8989-BLS, El Pescador Predicador (O Pescador Pregador), QTH?, 2340-, propaganda religiosa, bÍnÁ„os; 35343 (Carlos GonÁalves, southwest coast of Portugal, DX LISTENING DIGEST) Date missing

** NIGERIA [and non]. 9690, Oct 29 at 0620, NO signal from VON in Hausa; must be off, as RFI English on 9675 via FRANCE [q.v.] is fairly audible over a higher, more difficult path.

7255-, Oct 29 at 0625, VON in Hausa is active on this frequency, good signal and with low audible het, indicating it is much closer to nominal 7255.00 than before. The CCI is presumably Minsk, Belarus, registered 05-08, altho I am not certain how precise its frequencies are, as they are known to put out spurs.

7255, Nov 3 at 0708, VON is still on and audible in French, fair but undermodulated. Nothing on 9690.

9690- // 7255-, Nov 4 at 0559, VON drumming prÈlude, 0600 opening Hausa. Last several chex, the higher frequency was absent. Both still slightly on the low side, 9690 more so (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** NIGERIA [non]. U.K./FRANCE. Radio Dandal Kura and Manara Radio on October 29
0700-0800 on 15480 WOF 300 kW / 165 deg to WeAf Kanuri R. Dandal Kura
0730-0830 on 15440 ISS 150 kW / 170 deg to WeAf Hausa Manara Radio
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rTznNe0USnc&feature=youtu.be
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Hr7DS5hkrCA&feature=youtu.be
73! (Ivo Ivanov, Sofia, B`lgariya, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)
These services are not related, just both targeting Nigeria (gh)

CLANDESTINE, 7415, Dandal Kura, Nov 01, 0633-0659* 34433, Kanuri, Talk, ID at 0641 and 0647 and 0653, 0659 sign off

15440, Manara R., Oct 26 0819-0829*, 35333, Hausa, Talk, ID at 0820, Local music, 0829 sign off

15440, Manara R., Nov 01 0806-0826*, 35433, Hausa, Talk, ID at 0826, 0826 sign off (Kouji Hashimoto, JAPAN, RX, IC-R75, NRD-525+RD-9830, NRD-345, Satellit 750, DE-1121; ANT, 130m Sloper Wire, 303WA, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** NORTH AMERICA. 6960-USB, Oct 30 at 0004, S9 pirate with heavy strumming, then vocal; 0010 it`s S9+10 as Dick Weed has a sidekick describing an app they have to use after propagation fades out. Next tune to be ``Remove the Head``, by Bile (??), on Radio Free What-Ever. Still going at 0039, discussing selling T-shirts online, only one so far despite several refreshes; 0055 next check is off. Many more logs of this:
http://www.hfunderground.com/board/index.php/topic,24155.0.html
including Dick Weed himself: ``Find us continuing the show on http://www.mixlr.com! look for "djdickweed" and you got RFW streaming to you!`` (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** NORTH AMERICA. 6950.70-AM, Oct 30 at 0006, ``Bicycle Built for Two``, and big band music of that era; 0013 ``Germany Calling, Reichsender, in 31 meter band, Germanycalling@gmail.com``. Time warp as except for the e-mail address sounds like it`s from four-score years ago. Not as strong as RFW on 6960; 0018 repeat same canned ID, I think, which also mentions Hamburg, Bremen and maybe a D- callsign; ``Deutschland ‹ber Alles``, as NA, but the lyrix sounded different, maybe a further verse, ending at 0020:40* and off the air. Many other logs of this:
http://www.hfunderground.com/board/index.php/topic,24157.0.html
Wish I had tuned in earlier. Hallowe`en weekend should be a pirate festival (Glenn Hauser, WORLD OF RADIO 1798, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Glenn, Attached is an eQSL, and an mp3 of an earlier portion of the program which you had missed. Thanks for logging/listening! See disclaimers.
http://www.w4uvh.net/GermanyCalling.jpg

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German National Anthem

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Deutschlandlied
Horst-Wessel-Lied (the Nazi-party hymn)
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** NORTH AMERICA. Amphetamine Radio, 6950-USB, verified an electronic report with a full data PDF attachment featuring a radio tower sitting on a globe in 4 days. The verie signer sent along the following information about the station in his e-mail:

ìThank you very much for the very detailed reception report & for listening to Amphetamine Radio! Amphetamine Radio operates on the 43 meter "pirate" band, 6800-7000 kHz with most transmissions on 6925 or 6950 kHz. Amphetamine Radio uses USB mode & transmits SSTV as well as music/voice. Most transmissions are in the evenings during the week & on the weekend/holidays. You can find posts on HF Underground
http://www.hfunderground.com/board/index.php?board=3.0

I recommend you check that forum often as reports for many US based pirate stations are posted in real time as listeners like yourself hear the stations, allowing you to know which frequency to tune to right away. Amphetamine Radio operates the following equipment from a highly secret location: Icom IC-707, MFJ "Versa Tuner", 50' longwire antenna. Please find attached an eQSL for your reception report. Very best 73s & hope you'll be able to hear AR in the future.î (Rich D`Angelo, PA, Free Radio Weekly via DXLD)

** NORTH AMERICA. 6925-USB, Nov 3 at 0112, soul music at S9; 0113 some sweeping sounds introducing another tune. Four logs here agree it was UNIDENTIFIED
http://www.hfunderground.com/board/index.php/topic,24286.0.html
No logs of it at the Free Radio CafÈ forum. At 0150 Nov 3, I am

hearing instead on 6925-LSB, some Brazilian 2-way (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** NORTH AMERICA. 6955-USB, Oct 31 at 2350, pirate music at S9+25 --- bet I know what it is --- yes, Wolverine Radio ID at 0003 Nov 1; 0016, pause for SSTV beeps; 0018 back to a song; 0036 weird sounds for Hallowe`en. Lotsa logs here, one saying it`s reaching a remote receiver in Qatar:
http://www.hfunderground.com/board/index.php/topic,24222.0.html
(Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** NORTH AMERICA. 6975-AM, Nov 1 at 0233, music but mostly talk, S6 very weak vs noise. But it was hugely logged elsewhere until 0318* as X-FM:
http://www.hfunderground.com/board/index.php/topic,24225.0.html
It started at 0035, but I was not hearing it during earlier bandscans (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** NORTH AMERICA. 6955-AM, Nov 1 at 0235, very poor music, S5, and since it`s AM, presumably not Wolverine Radio as much stronger and earlier in USB. A few reports from coast to coast say it was Radio True North:
http://www.hfunderground.com/board/index.php/topic,24232.0.html
(Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** NORTH AMERICA. Hi Gents: Halloween was super active. What I heard was just a fraction of what was on, though:

PIRATE-NA. WREC/Radio Free East Coast, 6955 USB, 2240-2310+, 10-30-15, SIO: 454. P.J. Sparx was back with a classic Halloween show! Lots of scary tunes by Iron Maiden and others. [Lobdell-MA]

PIRATE-NA. Radio Illuminati, 6150 AM, 0007-0026+, 10-31-15, SIO: 444/232. Tune in with Halloween themed tunes by Blue Oyster Cult, Oingo Boingo, Edgar Winter Group. Started off strong but weakened with time. [Lobdell-MA]

PIRATE-NA. Wolverine Radio, 6955 USB, 2340-0015*, 10-31-15, SIO: 444. Tunes about witches, ghosts and vampires. The usual terse "Wolverine Radio" IDs with SSTV image just before sign off. [Lobdell-MA]

PIRATE-NA. X-FM, 6975 AM, [C-QUAM stereo], 0050-0317*, 11-01-15. Another entertaining live show from X-FM. Great AM modulation and the signal held up well throughout. OM DJ playing requests, taking phone calls, chatting, etc. Being heard from Florida to California with a huge amount of postings on hfunderground.com (Chris Lobdell, Box 80146, Stoneham, MA 02180, Receivers: Eton E1, NRD-525, Aerials: G5RV, 40 Meter Dipole, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** OKLAHOMA. 530, Nov 4 at 1259 UT starting a MW bandscan, our local TIS is back on! ``From Enid, Oklahoma, you are listening to K530AM, Vance Air Force Base``, and on to rotation of hoary old PSAs: H1N1 virus awareness, from CDC; ``they jump out of trees`` about booster seats for kids; hurricane preparedness --- gas up (as if we ever had anything but remnants this far inland).

Carrier is slightly on lo side. It had been off since at least January 16, 2015, as in DXLD 15-03. I would guess it has been restored to full power, 10 watts? We`ll see how well we can null it again at night for Cuba. Reminder that K530AM is not an official callsign, but being military, they can call it whatever they like! Consider it tactical? (Glenn Hauser, Enid, WORLD OF RADIO 1798, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** OKLAHOMA. 960, Oct 31 at 0655 UT I find that local KGWA is open carrier/dead air except for some hum, so dare to turn up the volume and try to ID something else with the carrier nulled as much as possible, but cannot, not even KGWA, until modulation slams back on at 0700 UT for Fox ``news``. So it`s a Fox non-hole, contrary to what we used to enjoy intermittently at local midnite for 5 minutes, but not any more at random chex (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGESET)

** OKLAHOMA. Glenn, Was listening to the Joe Pags show here in Columbus on WOAI at 7:40 PM EDST on Oct 30 when heard mention he will be on 1640 AM In Oklahoma City staring Monday. He did not mention "Enid" (Artie Bigley, OH, DX LISTENING DIGEST) Viz.:

The Joe Pags Show | Livin' The Dream http://www.joepags.com/

I'm so excited to announce the Joe Pags Show will be heard on two more great radiostations starting Monday 11/2/2015. KZLS in Enid/OKC, OK at 5pm and and KKTX in Corpus Christi, TX at 8pm. Be there! http://www.joepags.com/two-more-great-radio-stations-coming-on-monday/ (via Bigley, DXLD) CST = UT -6. Originates at WOAI (gh)

** OKLAHOMA. 1820, Nov 2 at 0015 UT, very poor S3 sports talk or ballgame, matching KCRC 1390 ESPN. A local Enid external mixing product, apparently, with KGWA 960. They are 430 kHz apart, and this is 430 kHz above 1390. The two are not at the same site, but a few miles apart. I would prefer it to be another ESPN from afar, such as a 2 x 910, so I need to catch something local on 1820 from KCRC to rule that out; or some audio from KGWA on 1820. I don`t hear its own second harmonic which would be 1920 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** OKLAHOMA. COLLEAGUES MOURN ERNIE JONES AFTER TOWER DEATH
Radio World By Paul McLane 23 October, 2015
http://www.radioworld.com/article/colleagues-mourn-ernie-jones-after-tower-death/

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Broadcast industry veterans reacted with dismay to news that Ernie Jones died in a tower elevator accident on an Oklahoma broadcast tower late Wednesday.

Jones, 65, was a founder of the structural firm Consolidated Engineering Inc. in Lynnville, Ind., which does engineering analyses and tower renovations in broadcast and telecom. He is survived by his wife Kathy and four children.

His business partner and longtime friend David Davies of CEI told Radio World that Jones, died when the tower service elevator started back down while Jones was connected via lanyard to a member of the tower but was still in the cab. Jones was caught and pulled up to the elevator cab ceiling and asphyxiated before the elevator stopped from the tension. Davies said climbers hurried up the structure in hopes of rescue but to no avail. Davies said OSHA is investigating the accident.

The tower serves Hearst station KOCO(TV) in Oklahoma City. A KOCO executive did not return a call to RW.

CEI clients have included ERI, CBS, Clear Channel, American Tower and numerous others. Its website said the company has coordinated fabrication of more than 1,000 towers.

People responded across the industry as the word spread via social media and second-hand email reports.
ìErnie was a giant figure in the tower structural analysis community, one of the leaders in tower structure standards-setting, and a first class fellow,î one wrote. Fellow engineer Tom Osenkowsky told Radio World, ìThis is a tragic loss not only to his family but to the tower industry. He was one of the great ones.î He said Jones was to write three chapters in the next edition of the NAB Engineering Handbook.

An email from SBE Chapter 43 stated, ìErnie Jones was widely known in the broadcast industry, having designed and overseen fabrication of over 3,000 towers from 240 to 2,000 feet in height.î SBE Chapter 16 Chairman Marty Hadfield forwarded the note, adding, ìErnie was one of those special individuals, a PE that climbs towers, who carried the ERI structural design, construction and installation for antenna systems and towers right to the top of the stick. He always seemed to be as comfortable roping a cow on the ranch, as he was in a design meeting. Ernie will be very missed by his co-workers and to many in our industry.î Jones is associated by many people with antenna company ERI and was a former employee; ERI referred questions about the accident to CEI, saying Jones was not a current employee or retained

on an ERI project.

Jones, who held Professional Engineer certification, was no stranger to towers or to their safety considerations. According to the CEI website, he was active in standards work for steel antenna towers and support structures. For 29 years he had been a participating member of the TR14.7 Committee of the Telecommunications Industry Association and Electronics Industry Association.

According to his bio, he was responsible for developing the ANSI/TIA-1019, 2004 Gin Pole Standard and was a co-chair of a technical section responsible for creating a full construction standard on the installation, alteration and maintenance of antenna supporting structures and antennas.

Ernie Jones is survived by his wife Kathy Jones; daughters Karalyn, 26; Megan, 25; and Angel, 7, and his son Andy Jones (27). He was preceded in death by his parents Raymond and June Jones; his sister, Louis Jones; his first wife, Krista Jones; and his daughter Caroline Jones. Posted by: (Mike Terry, UK, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1798, DXLD)

** OKLAHOMA. RF 36, Nov 2 at 1608 UT, fog southeast of here makes KUOK-CD visible, barely on the verge of breaking up, as 36-1 with UnivisiÛn, so I hasten to check for a 36-2, and it is full-screen color bars, with audio cutting on and off, mostly off, and music, later at 1625 UT DJ chat. That`s probably from KTUZ 106.7, Tyler`s Spanish station, which I tune in for a possible match: same type of programming but never enough to // it, and if there were, it would not be synchronized. I`m glad to be getting direct this 7.33 kW ERP OKC station, confirming it`s really on the DTV air. Locals punching in 36 are just as likely, or more so, to end up on full-power RF 29 KTUZ, which also carries KUOK as ``36-1``, UnivisiÛn. Neat trick; so why bother with KUOK-CD at all? Tnx to the fog, lots of other `bad` signals on UHF (Glenn Hauser, Enid, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** OMAN. Radio Sultanate of Oman on October 27/28:
1400-1500 15140 THU 100 kW / 315 deg WeEu Arabic, instead of English
1400-1500 15140 THU 100 kW / 315 deg WeEu English, as scheduled B-15
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WEN8j1VW8vM&feature=youtu.be
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=coGA0yRkNIk&feature=youtu.be
73! (Ivo Ivanov, Sofia, B`lgariya, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** PALESTINE [and non]. ISRAELI MILITARY CLOSES PALESTINIAN RADIO STATION FOR INCITING VIOLENCE
http://www.dw.com/en/israeli-military-closes-palestinian-radio-station-for-inciting-violence/a-18822859

Israel says it has shut down a Palestinian radio station on charges of incitement. The move comes after Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu accused Palestinian leaders of stoking the violence that has plagued the region.

On Tuesday, the Israeli military said it had raided the broadcaster for urging attacks against Jews and spreading misinformation meant to incite hatred against the Israeli government.

Forces shut down the Al Hurria radio station in Hebron overnight. In addition to provoking violence, authorities claimed the station had also hailed those responsible for the slate of knife attacks targeting Jews.

Al Hurria was founded in 2002 in Gaza, but moved its office to Hebron in the West Bank following the militant group Hamas' ascension to power in Gaza. The military did not disclose for how long the radio station would be closed.

Accusations of incitement

Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu says the wave of violence sweeping Israel and the Palestinian Territories since the beginning of October is the result of Palestinian incitement, not Israeli policies. He has freuently called on Palestinian President Mahmoud Abbas to stop spreading lies meant to stir up opposition to the Israeli government.

To date, 11 Israelis have been killed in Palestinian knife attacks, while around 69 Palestinians have been killed by Israeli authorities. Netanyahu's administration has faced criticism for its hardline approach toward the conflict, with many in the international community accusing it of using unnecessary force in dealing with Palestinian protestors (via JosÈ Miguel Romero, Spain, Nov 3, dxldyg via DXLD)

ISRAEL SHUTS DOWN PALESTINIAN RADIO STATION IT SAYS INCITES
http://hosted.ap.org/dynamic/stories/M/ML_ISRAEL_PALESTINIANS?SITE=AP&SECTION=HOME&TEMPLATE=DEFAULT&CTIME=2015-11-03-03-40-34

JERUSALEM (AP) -- The Israeli military raided a Palestinian radio station in the West Bank on Tuesday and confiscated equipment it said was being used to broadcast calls to attack Israelis.

The military said it shut down the Al Hurria radio station in Hebron overnight and accused it of inciting violence in the volatile West Bank city.

Israel says the current spate of violence that started in mid-September has been set off by a Palestinian campaign of lies and

incitement surrounding a sensitive Jerusalem holy site. The Palestinians counter it is a result of frustration from nearly a half-century of occupation.

Eleven Israelis have been killed in Palestinian attacks, mostly stabbings. Sixty-nine Palestinians have died by Israeli fire, including 43 who Israel says were involved in attacks or attempted attacks.

The wave of violence shows no signs of abating. On Monday, a Palestinian stabbed and seriously wounded a 70-year-old man in central Israel just hours after another Palestinian knifed several people, including an 80-year-old woman, in a stabbing spree near Tel Aviv.

Hebron, the largest West Bank city, has been a particular flashpoint. Several hundred Jewish settlers live in fortified enclaves in the city, amid tens of thousands of Palestinians.

The military says over the past month Palestinians have carried out 29 attacks in the city, including 22 stabbings, four vehicular assaults and three shooting attacks. It says the Al Hurria station has been encouraging stabbing attacks and glorifying the attackers.

The station`s director, Ayman Qawasmeh, said Israel troops raided the station after 2 a.m. destroyed equipment and confiscated transmitters. "This is a clear violent aggression on the Palestinian media," he said. "We didn`t incite, we just reported the Israeli daily crimes against our people in Hebron. They want to silence our voice." (AP Via Mike Cooper, DXLD)

WTFK? WRTH 2015 in the PAL subsexion under Israel has no FM station by that name, but close; is this it? Al-Horya R., Ramallah, 104.5, http://alhorya.com Maybe not, but Hebron and Ramallah are only 42 km = 26 miles apart, on opposite sides of Jerusalem (gh, DXLD)

** PAPUA NEW GUINEA. Ron aus CA meldete Wantok Radio Light, Port Moresby, PNG 7325v kHz in den letzten Tagen, konnte ich aber heute nicht verifizieren, ausserhalb der co-channel CRI Japanisch Nutzung. Daf¸r aber in Brisbane sehr schˆn NBC Madang, PNG 3259.9945 footprint at 1115 UT on Oct 30 (Wolfgang B¸schel, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** PERU. 5980, R. CHASKI, 29/10 2355 UT. ID: ìRed Radio Integridadî m·s avisos de la emisora y devocional. SINPO: 45433. RX: Realistic DX-160. ANT: 45 metros de antena de hilo, m·s antena de tierra y bal˙n de ferrita 9:1 QTH: Ovalle, IV RegiÛn, Chile (Claudio Galaz T., condiglista yg via DXLD)

[and non] 5980, Oct 30 at 0058, one carrier here, S6, 0059 joined by a

second one on slightly different frequency, best detected with offset BFO making a double-pitch het. The first one is Chaski, and the second is the spoiler BBC Hindi via UAE. One of them, Chaski, autocutsoff at 0109:11*, restoring a single-pitch het, UAE. Altho I logged a similar situation on Oct 25, the last precise timing was 7 nights ago, in A-15 on Oct 23 until 0108:25.5*, or 45.5 seconds earlier: average slippage thus being 6.5 seconds per, close to ``on schedule``.

5980, Oct 31 at 0040, JBA carrier from R. Chaski; after 0059 joined by the BBC UAE carrier a few Hz away making double-pitch BFO het. Chaski`s portion cuts off about 0109:17*, which is 6 seconds later than yesterday at 0109:11*. Tonight I could not get a sharp timing so it may have been a semisecond earlier or later.

5980, Nov 3 at 0106, usual mix of two very weak carriers slightly apart making double het with BFO; the stronger one goes off at 0109:35.5*, i.e. R. Chaski. This is 18.5 seconds later than last check 3 nights ago, Oct 31 at 0109:17*, averaging 6.2 seconds later per 24 hours. The weaker one remaining is BBC Hindi via UAE (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** PERU. 6175, R. TAWANTINSUYO. 02/11 2333 UT. Una mujer da consejos de vida desde una perspectiva esotÈrica, acerca de las relaciones de pareja. Luego m˙sica serrana. SINPO: 44444 con leve QRM de CRI, servicio espaÒol (vÌa CÎrrik, Albania, para Europa y Norte de ¡frica) en la misma frecuencia, aunque un poco m·s arriba. øAlguna informaciÛn sobre la frecuencia correcta de Radio Tawantinsuyo? (Claudio Galaz T., RX: Realistic DX-160. ANT: 45 metros de antena de hilo, m·s antena de tierra y bal˙n de ferrita 9:1, QTH: Ovalle, IV RegiÛn, Chile, condiglista yg via DXLD)

Claudio: La frecuencia correcta de Tawantisuyo es 6173.8 kHz. 73 (ALFREDO CA—OTE, Lima, Per˙, ibid.)

6173.85, PER⁄, R, Tawantinsuyo, CuscoΠ 11/09, 2215-2335, 44444, news, ads, ID ìRadio Tawantinsuyoî, programa El Cofre de tu destino (Pedro F. Arrun·tegui, Lima, Per˙ via gh, ibid.)

** PHILIPPINES [non]. 15330, Oct 30 at 1446, S Asian language often ending sentences with -heh particles, soon at 1448 ID pronounced in English, Radio Veritas Asia. Good with lite long-path echo. HFCC shows Urdu via SMG VATICAN site at 1430-1457, 250 kW, 89 degrees. The other such relay for B-15 is: 15460 and/or? 15620 at 1500-1553 in Filipino. There are probably also some Vatican relays via Palauig I haven`t found yet.

15620, Nov 1 at 1500, R. Veritas Asia ID in Filipino, good signal on VATICAN relay, as SMG succeeds again in serving areas far beyond its

nominal targets, in this case, Mideast. Not on alternatively registered 15460. Better signal than RCC neighbor 15610 WEWN (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** POLAND. Subject: 1 program Polish R. Here's the news heard first on radio, then read it
http://www.polskieradio.pl/7/1579/Artykul/1538260

Briefly, from 9:00 PM (Warsaw time) on 2 November and until 22:00 on 20 November this year far the transmitter in Solec Kujawski transmitter first program of Polish radio at a frequency of 225 kHz is disabled. This is done in connection with the installation of the mast antenna additional equipment for broadcasting in the format of DAB+.

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Invariably, you can hear us on shortwave [sic] radio, thanks to digital receivers - in DAB +, on the Internet and on mobile devices.

On 2 - 22 November 2015 the temporary exclusion will be broadcasting the first Polish Radio on long wave. This is due to essential maintenance work, antenna masts and the planned installation of a digital transmitter of Radio DAB + broadcasting center in Solec Kujawski.

A break in the radio emission Ones long wave is planned for Monday November 2nd of hours. 9.00 to Sunday 22 November for hours. 20.00. At that time Radio broadcasting center in Solec Kujawski will be carried out necessary maintenance work, and on the mast, which is broadcast on long wave first Polish Radio mounted transmitter is DAB +. Implementation of all these activities require long-term transmitter off for a period of approx. 3 - 4 weeks.

First Polish Radio, you can still listen via the transmitters FM, shortwave [sic], the frequency of which can be checked at: UKF.JEDYNKA.POLSKIERADIO.PL, thanks to digital receivers around the 17 largest urban regions in the country.

Ones radio digital signal already reaches more than half of residents of Polish (exact details of the coverage of digital radio technology DAB + is available on the DAB.POLSKIERADIO.PL) and on the Internet at JEDYNKA.POLSKIERADIO.PL as well as using mobile applications. Applications are available for free download on iPhones and iPads in Apple App Store on Android phones in the Google Android Market and Windows Phone 7 phones on Windows Phone Marketplace.

The first Polish Radio station is universal, combining tradition and modernity. It is located in one of the three most popular tracks radio

programs in Poland and is one of the most frequently quoted media in the country. Radio Single proposes a wide range of programming - from information, journalism domestic and foreign, through in-depth analyzes and commentaries, education and counseling, to the broader culture and entertainment. Presents music addressed to listeners of all ages, classical Polish and world literature, as well as works by contemporary writers, numerous reports, the Polish Radio Theatre dramas, children's programs, broadcasts and reports on the major national and international sporting events. We invite you to listen! http://mat.prasowe (via Alexandr Golovikhin, Oct 31, via Wolfgang B¸schel, WORLD OF RADIO 1798, DXLD)

** ROMANIA. 7345, Oct 29 at 0630, RRI VG signing on in English, for ``Western Europe, SE Asia and the Pacific area``, 0631 `Radio Newsreel`. This frequency is for CIRAF 27N = British Isles, but at 307 degrees from Tsiganeshti carries on perfectly well to North America for anyone who may be awake (and more of us will be from November 1).

7395, Oct 31 at 0235, RRI with classical violin music, S9+30, 0238 into Romanian lesson for French; 300 kW, 310 degrees from Galbeni; also on 7340 at 0233 in Romanian at only S9+20, which is 300 kW, 307 degrees from Tsiganeshti, thus should be just as strong. Yet, RRI is as usual the strongest station direct out of Europe. We certainly hope they don`t follow thru with plan to QRT SW in a year or two (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Hearing R Romania Int. in Spanish at 0000 UT on 7325 kHz and unscheduled 7315 instead of scheduled 7335 (Alan Roe, Teddington, UK Nov 1, BDXC-UK yg via DXLD)

R Romania Int. 1 November at 1020 UT tune-in I'm hearing this in Romanian still on 17745 // 15260, 17640, 21580. Strong on all four frequencies. 17745 was scheduled until 1000 and should have been replaced by 17870, which is not heard here.
http://www.rri.ro/ro_ro/frecvente-262
(Alan Roe, Teddington, WinRadio G31 + 17m wire, BDXC-UK yg via DXLD)

Now at 1100 UT RRI Bucharest in French language on 4 frequencies, nice music heard at 1115 UT. As request scheduled in HFCC list
21580 TIG S=9+35dB
17870 GAL S=9+15dB
17640 TIG S=9+25dB
15255 GAL S=9+15dB
in southern Germany
73 wb (Wolfgang B¸schel, ibid.)

1 Nov. R Romania Int in their Romanian service at 1810 tune-in very strong on 5990 and 7375 with gentle classical music marking the three-

days of official national mourning following a fire at a Bucharest nightclub on Friday night (Alan Roe, (Teddington, UK; WinRadio G31 + 17m wire), dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** RUSSIA [non]. 9610, Oct 29 at 1302, poor-fair signal with ``Radio Svoboda; Novosti``, i.e. R Liberty in Russian with news. HFCC shows this hour only is 250 kW, 329 degrees via TINIAN to CIRAF 30-33 = the southern half of Siberia from the Urals to the Pacific. So far Putin is not jamming this; just wait? (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SAINT PIERRE & MIQUELON. Radio visit trip report: see DX-PEDITIONS

** SAUDI ARABIA. 1521.0, Oct 30 at 0028 UT, tell-tale het from 2000 kW BSKSA Duba upon 1520.0 KOKC OKC (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SAUDI ARABIA. 13710, Nov 1 at 1508, Qur`an, good with flutter, i.e. BSKSA 500 kW, 295 degrees from Riyadh at 15-18, succeeding CRI English vs AIR English until 1500 on 13710. Must be vesper-time in the Kingdom (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SEYCHELLES [non]. Test Transmissions from FEBA on Saturday 31 Oct 2015 from Sri Lanka:
Time: 1330 to 1400 UTC (7.00 -7.30 PM India time)
Frequency: 9775 kHz (31 Meter Band)
Power: 125 kW
Transmitting Site: Trincomalee, Sri Lanka

Reception reports are appreciated from all listeners especially in India and particular within South India-North East India. Reception Reports may please be sent by email to kenneth@febaindia.org preferably by Sunday morning ie 1 Nov 2015. Special eqsls will be issued. Please circulate this message to others. Yours sincerely, (Jose Jacob, VU2JOS, National Institute of Amateur Radio, Hyderabad, India, Mobile: +91 94416 96043, DX LISTENING DIGEST) Language?

SRI LANKA/CEYLON, Heard your test broadcasts in India's native language, likely Hindi ?, not in English. Exact frequency footprint measured is 9774.976 kHz at -56dBm strength. [selected SDR options, span 12.5 kHz RBW 15.3 Hertz]. Media Center Address given at 1343 UT on October 31, also Bangalore, India address and e-mail noticed at 1344 UT, short piece of FEBA chimes interval signal heard. QRM interference totally FREE transmission on that selected hour: far away adjacent bcast stations on
9765 kHz CRI Baoji-Xinji in English, S=9+10dB in southern Germany.
9785 kHz CRI Kunming in Thai language service, S=9 signal strength. 73 (Wolfgang Bueschel, df5sx, Stuttgart, Germany, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

On air announcement noted that FEBA will use 9775 at 1330-1400 from 8 Nov 2015 replacing 9720. Reception Reports may please be sent by email to kenneth@febaindia.org
-- Thanking you, Yours sincerely, Jose Jacob, VU2JOS, National Institute of Amateur Radio, Hyderabad, India Nov 3, dxldyg via DXLD)

SRI LANKA, Upcoming frequency change of FEBA Radio from Nov 8:
1330-1415 NF 9775 TRM 125 kW / 345 deg to SoAs, ex 9720 as follows:

1330-1345 English Mon; Telugu Tue-Fri; Hindi Sat; Kannada Sun
1345-1400 Kannada Mon; Kuvi Tue; Malayalam Wed-Sat; Tamil Sun
1400-1415 Tamil Mon/Wed/Fri/Sun; English Sat

Video with announcement of frequency change:
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pUakxpoIpSM&feature=youtu.be
Reach Beyond Australia is off again on this frequency, Nov 2:
1330-1445 on 9720 KNX 100 kW / 305 deg to SoAs various langs
73! (Ivo Ivanov, B`lgariya, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SLOVAKIA [non]. 7570, Oct 31 at 2121, WRMI with report about launching balloons to study the Perseid meteor shower, mentions Slovakia --- yes, it`s RSI now scheduled on 7570 at 2100-2130 Sat & Sun only (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SOLOMON ISLANDS. Log: 5020 kHz, Solomon Island Broadcasting Corp., Honiara, 1900 UT, SIO 232. Samstag fr¸h auf den Solomon Inseln, die Sendung auf 5020 beginnt p¸nktlich um 19 Uhr UT mit der Hymne. 73 (Christoph Ratzer, Austria, A-DX, Oct 30, http://ratzer.at http://remotedx.wordpress.com via Wolfgang B¸schel, WORLD OF RADIO 1798, DXLD)

** SOUTH AFRICA. 6155, Channel Africa with ID into English "Africa, Rise & Shine" AM show. News Headlines at BoH into talx re UNESCO development summit re African scientific/technology research & other features. Many "Africa Rise & Shine" and "Channel Africa" IDs throughout. They do African news so much better than the BBC these days. Carrier dropped in the middle of some bumper music. Using Heath SB-310 3+44+44 HF Het & splatter, 0317-0357* 26/Oct, NF for B-15 (Ken Zichi, Williamston MI, MARE Tipsheet 30 Oct via WORLD OF RADIO 1798, DXLD)

** SOUTH CAROLINA [non & non non]. 9370, Oct 30 at 0543, Brother Scare is very poor but // 3185, as WWRB has left the day-frequency on again tonight (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

U.S.A.: 9370, WWRB Manchester TN (presumed); 2131, 4-Nov; Bro. HyStairical into signs & numerology; sed that Germany is sliding

toward Civil War; said that Bush & Gorbachev went to see the Pope and got orders to change the world order. (I am not making any of this up!) Phone rang 4 times in background. SIO=4+54

9840, WHRI, Cypress Creek SC (presumed); 1704, 1-Nov; Bro. HyStairical said we should call preachers talking about the end times and ask them if they are listening to "The Prophet" (B.S. himself). Nothing will overcome B.S.'s regard for himsef. S20 (Frodge-MI)

9980, WWCR, Nashville TN; 2156-2200:42*, 1-Nov; Bro. HyStairical blowing a gasket; "The Earth is less than 10,000 years old... we don't need those geologists... the Earth is only 6000 years old..." (They never explain the flaw in radioactive decay dating techniques which, like dinosaurs, yoyos & trombones, are not mentioned in the Bible.) WWCR s/off announcement at 2200+. S10 (Harold Frodge, Midland MI, USA, Drake R8B + 125 ft. bow-tie; 60 ft. RW & 185 ft. center-fed RW, All logged by my ears, on my receiver, in real time! DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SPAIN. 9690, Oct 29 at 1853, S8 open carrier, REE about to broadcast to North America; 1903 sufficient with `24 Horas`. A higher band would be better, and before 1900 on weekends from 1500, a higher band is necessary (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

[besides V of Greece on 9420] Also REE Noblejas heard covering UEFA Champions League competition, like Barcelona vv Borissov and Gent vv FC Valencia. But left out the 4th transmitter tonight again, nothing on 9690 kHz heard - TX not on air yet, only scheduled 11530 Atlantic Sur, 15390 SoAM, and 15500 kHz to NE/ME/Indian subcontinent (Wolfgang B¸schel, Nov 4, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SUDAN. 9505, Voice of Africa, Al Aitahab, 1833-1840, escuchada el 4 de noviembre de 2015 en hausa, locutor con comentarios emisiÛn de m˙sica africana, SINPO 23342 (JosÈ Miguel Romero, Spain, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SUDAN SOUTH [non]. FRANCE, No signal of Radio Miraya effective from October 25:
0300-0600 on 11560*ISS 250 kW / 130 deg to EaAf Eng/Ara in B-15
0300-0600 on 9940 ISS 250 kW / 130 deg to EaAf Eng/Ara in B-14
* All India Radio in Dari was heard on this frequency till 0345
73! (Ivo Ivanov, B`lgariya, Nov 4-5, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SWAZILAND. New B-15 frequency of TWR Africa in Amharic, Oromo and other: 1630-1800 NF 11660 MAN 100 kW / 013 deg to EaAf, ex traditional 11700 kHz
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rkRI_j9utOM&feature=youtu.be
73! (Ivo Ivanov, Sofia, B`lgariya, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SWEDEN. Re: [BDXC-UK] Broadcasts Saturday 31 Oct via Sala: Good signal from Sala, Sweden with SDXF programme at 1240 UT on 6060 kHz (AM+USB) playing nice LA station recordings. (repeated later at 1900 on 6175). 73 (Alan Pennington, AOR 7030plus + ALA1530, Caversham UK, BDXC-UK yg via DXLD)

** TAIWAN [non]. Special PCJ programs for Europe/Southeast Asia
Dear Friends, From November 14th to December 26th. PCJ Radio International will have a series of special broadcasts for listeners in Europe and Southeast Asia. These are outside our regular schedule. Please find attached the schedule with time and frequency. If you have any questions please let me know. Warm regards, Keith Perron, October 29, 2015, DX LISTENING DIGEST) Viz.:

Beginning November 14th, 2015. PCJ Radio International will offer a series of special broadcasts before the end of the year for listeners in Europe and Southeast Asia. Time: 0900-1000 UT. Frequency: 17825 kHz
November 14th ñ Say It With Music
November 21st ñ Call it Ukraine
November 28th ñ Rockiní with Raoul
December 5th ñ Classics with David Monson
December 12th ñ Special Jazz For The Asking
December 19th ñ European radio during WW2 (documentary)
December 26th ñ Special listeners programs
Each of these special transmissions will have a special E-QSL.
Good Listening! (via WORLD OF RADIO 1798, DXLD) I guess site will be SRI LANKA? Saturdays

** TAIWAN [non]. 5985, 10/28 0300-0330, RTI, Okeechobee-FL, in Spanish. New RTI UT Test. Very very poor signal and barely audible or unlistenable transmission station; 25331.

7730, 10/28 0340, RTI, Okeechobee-FL, in Spanish; Normal RTI UT sked. YL/OM talks; very poor signal and barely audible modulation, 35432-35431.

11920, 10/28 0000-0100, RTI, Okeechobee-FL, USA, in Spanish; New RTI UT Test, Edition Tuesday, October 27; ID, Newsletter, presumed. Transmission blocked by strong signal and modulation by CNR1 jammer in Chinese language on 11925 kHz. RTI SINPO: 42432 to 42431 (No continuous log).

11920, 10/28 0200, RTI, Okeechobee-FL, in Spanish; Normal RTI UT sked. October 27, Tuesday programming; IS,YL: ID, programming, Newsletter headlines and News in details; weather in Taiwan; Invitation to listen RTI in new frequency ant time next November 1; new sked; 0212 RTI jingle; 0213 program "Revista de Prensa" - news of Taiwan in local press; 0238 program "Taiwan Original"; fair broadcast, no

interference, 45433. (No continuous log). (DXer JosÈ Ronaldo Xavier (JRX), Cabedelo - Brazil, Degen DE1103, Portable Telescopic antenna, Hard-Core-DX mailing list via DXLD)

** THAILAND. 13745, Radio Thailand at 0000 with 3 time pips and a man with ID of ìThis is Radio Thailand World Serviceî and an anthem and a man with ìLive from the Public Relations Department of the Royal Thai Government this is Radio Thailand Newsî and into a man and woman with news headlines at 0001 then news in detail from 0002 ñ Fair to Good with ACI from RHC on 13740 Oct 30 (Mark Coady, Ontario, ODXA YRX via DXLD)

13745, Nov 1 at 0056, JBA carrier in heavy splash from 13740 RHC, presumably R. Thailand, English to North America, not a good choice as long as RHC is adjacent in a band with plenty of openings. Unfortunately, Arnie plans to keep 13740 at 22-05 UT in B-15. Of course, HSK9 has to do a lot better than JBA even with no QRM (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

13744.95, R. Thailand, Nov 03 *0000-0011, 45444, English, 0000 sign on with ID, Opening music, News (Kouji Hashimoto, JAPAN, RX, IC-R75, NRD-525+RD-9830, NRD-345, Satellit 750, DE-1121; ANT, 130m Sloper Wire, 303WA, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** TURKEY. 5960, Oct 29 at 2330, V. of Turkey back on winter frequency and time, amid English to North America, reads ~S9 but noisy. 2344 already signing off with full English schedule in jumbled order, music and IS; still playing at 2358 recheck but off by 2359, avoiding putting German on this air as sometimes reported.

Meanwhile, my nearest streetlite ignites with a wideband RF noise burst at *2347; it`s cloudy so with a clear sky at sunset, it would be a bit later triggering the photocell (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

[and non]. I've also noted several clashes of co-channel interference that should not occur. This morning I found another:

15480 0700 0800 46SE WOF 250 165 15 216 1234567 251015 270316 D 19835 Kau G BAB BAB 16028
15480 0700 1300 38E,39,40W EMR 500 120 -30 205 1234567 251015 270316 D 9000 Tur TUR TRT TRT 4869

There is megahertz of empty space on 15 MHz at that time span (Noel Green, Oct 31, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Is the task of the Babcock Frequency management; they came later here on that 15480 kHz channel, TRT is usually on 15480 channel for at

least a decade !!!!!? vy73 de wolfy df5sx (Wolfgang B¸schel, ibid.)

I couldn't hear Turkey on 15480 today (Nov 3) at 0645 UT check. The Babcock transmission via WOF was good strength and in the clear. I checked the two other Ankara frequencies scheduled at this time and both were on air - 11925 and 15350. Obviously 15480 requires more monitoring. 73 from (Noel Green, NW England, ibid.)

V of Turkey, EMR, on wrong frequencies in 0700-0735 Nov 4:
till 0735 on 9700 500 kW / 310 deg to WeEu Turkish, instead till 0655
till 0735 on 9820 250 kW / 138 deg to N/ME Turkish, instead till 0655
// frequency 15350 500 kW / 310 deg to WeEu Turkish, as scheduled B-15
from 0735 on 11925 500 kW / 097 deg to WeAs Turkish, instead from 0700
from 0735 on 15480*500 kW / 120 deg to WeAs Turkish, instead from 0700
// frequency 15350 500 kW / 310 deg to WeEu Turkish, as scheduled B-15
* till 0800 strong co-ch R. Dandal Kura International, Kanuri via WOF!
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TaazDAF6Rq4&feature=youtu.be
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PwwTqwxHIoE&feature=youtu.be
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5J724TiDnpQ&feature=youtu.be
73! (Ivo Ivanov, B`lgariya, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** TURKEY. Winter B-15 schedule for Voice of Turkey
Shortwave Broadcasting Schedule of VOT, language sorted,
between 25 October 2015 - 27 March 2016 dates TUR TRT

11955	1000-1100	37N,38N,39,40	500	210	216	Ara
9665	1500-1600	38E,39,40W	250	150	205	Ara
15200	1500-1600	37,38W,46	500	252	211	Ara
11835	0800-0900	29SE,40NW	250	72	211	Aze
5965	1630-1730	29,39,40,41	500	90	205	Aze
7245	1200-1230	28S	250	290	210	Bul
17755	1230-1330	28	500	310	215	Deu
7205	1830-1930	28	250	310	205	Deu
7240	0400-0500	38E,39,40W	500	138	215	Eng
9655	0400-0500	3-9,17 18 2728	500	335	215	Eng
12035	1330-1430	18S,27,28W	500	310	205	Eng
11730	1730-1830	30S,40E,41,49	500	105	215	Eng
6050	1930-2030	27,28W	250	290	210	Eng
9610	2130-2230	39-41,49545558	500	105	219	Eng
5960	2300-2400	5,8,9,11,17,18	500	310	215	Eng
11795	0930-1100	39N,40NW	500	105	205	Persian
9530	1600-1700	30S,40	500	105	205	Persian
9620	1830-1930	38,47,48	500	180	216	French
5970	2030-2130	27,28W	500	290	210	French
6050	2030-2130	37,38,46	500	247	205	French
6185	1500-1530	28S	500	290	210	Ita

9840	1100-1200	29S	250	72	211	Georgian
9785	1430-1500	29E,30,31,42NW	500	62	211	Kaz
11680	1600-1730	30S,40N	250	92	211	Dari Pashto
9410	1400-1500	19-22,29,30N	250	20	205	Rus
9410	0200-0300	12,13-15,16,37	500	252	219	Spa
9650	0200-0300	8,10-12,27,37	500	290	219	Spa
9495	1730-1830	27S,28,37	250	270	210	Spa
15360	1100-1130	19,20,29,30	500	32	215	Tatar
11965	1300-1330	30S,40N	250	72	211	Turkmen
6000	0100-0300	30,40,42	500	72	205	Tur
9700	0500-0700	18S,27,28	500	310	215	Tur
9820	0500-0700	39	250	138	215	Tur
11925	0700-1000	29SE,39NE,40NW	500	97	205	Tur
15480	0700-1300	38E,39,40W	500	120	205	Tur
15350	0700-1400	27,28	500	310	205	Tur
11815	1400-1700	27,28	250	300	205	Tur
5980	1700-2200	27,28	250	310	215	Tur
6120	1700-2200	38E,39,40W	500	150	205	Tur
9460	0300-0400	42	500	72	211	Uig
13685	1330-1430	42,43	500	72	205	Uig
11985	1300-1400	40,41N	500	92	211	Urd
13655	1130-1200	30	500	72	211	Uzb
12045	1200-1300	42-44	500	72	217	Chn

(HFCC database, language updated - wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Oct 28 via Wolfgang B¸schel, DXLD)

** U K. OFCOM WANTS RADIO SILENCE FROM PIRATES
The Times November 2 2015
http://www.thetimes.co.uk/tto/business/industries/media/article4602069.ece

The concept of ëPirate Radioí may be steeped in nostalgia for Radio Caroline but the countryís telecoms regulator has kicked off a clampdown of modern-day pirate DJs that it says put lives at risk.

Modern day pirate radio stations are not stationed on ships off the coast as they were in the 1960s but in tower blocks and high rises where they use lift shafts and rooftops to install illegal transmitters. Ofcom, the telecoms and media regulator, has a specialist team that hunts down those stations by monitoring frequencies and identifying illegal stations.

There are 100 pirate stations operating in Britain with three quarters of those in London. New data from Ofcom reveals it made 154 raids against illegal transmitter sites ñ often the same radio station ñ last year.

It claims to have ìeradicatedî pirate radio stations in the borough of Haringey where there were 19 stations in operation in 2014. It has worked with Homes for Haringey, the public housing body, to find equipment and to regularly patrol and secure rooftops to stop stations reappearing.

Last year, the countryís air traffic control service reported 55 cases of interference from illegal pirate radio stations. Ofcom added that it receives reports from emergency services that have encountered interference as result of illegal stations. Transmissions can also knock out car alarms and cause interference for legitimate stations.

Clive Corrie, the head of Ofcomís ìspectrum enforcement teamî, said: ìIllegal broadcasting harms local communities and risks lives by interfering with vital communications used by the emergency services and air traffic control.î

That may seem heavy handed but Ofcom argues that the equipment can damage buildings and put residents in danger of falling equipment because it is often not professionally installed. More serious is that pirate radio stations cause interference and can cause havoc with the airwaves.

The housing body calculates that it has saved £90,000 in enforcement and maintenance costs cleaning up after pirate stations. Ofcom estimates that a London-wide crackdown on pirate radio could save £1 million a year in costs.

Astrid Kjellberg-Obst, the executive director of operations at Homes for Haringey, said: ìPirate radio stations damage peopleís homes and can be extremely distressing to our residents.î

Ofcom could stand accused of cracking down on a vital musical community serving music fans that are not served by mainstream stations. The regulator called on pirate radio stations to go legitimate by applying for a licence to operate as a community radio station.

Many community stations are tiny operations running out of churches or in very rural areas but some former pirate stations have flourished after going legitimate. Rinse FM started as a jungle station operating out of DJ Slimzeeís house in Tower Hamlets before it gained notoriety as a launch pad for the emerging grime and dubstep scenes last decade.

The station was disconnected in 2005 by Ofcom for operating illegally. It gained community support for a community radio licence which was granted in 2010 and it has gone from strength-to-strength since.
Posted by: (Mike Terry, Nov 2, dxldyg via DXLD)

Tackling pirate radio --- Ofcom 02 November 2015
http://consumers.ofcom.org.uk/news/tackling-pirate-radio-could-save-londoners-one-million/

A new approach to tackling pirate radio has eradicated the problem in one London borough, and could save up to £1 million for Londoners by being rolled out across the capital.

Pirate radio harms local communities and the critical communications used by the emergency services. Ofcom, which manages radio frequencies, is hosting a summit on 3 November to explore the new approach to tackling the problem.

Pirate stations typically use high-rise buildings for their broadcasts, with illegal transmitters installed on rooftops or hidden in lift shafts. This damages residential properties owned by local authorities, disrupting residents' lives and putting people at risk from falling equipment.

Ofcom has been working in north London, one of the UK's most affected areas, with public housing body Homes for Haringey. In 2014, 19 pirate radio stations were illegally broadcasting in Haringey. By quickly removing their transmitters and regularly patrolling and securing rooftops, pirate radio has now been eradicated in the borough.

As a result, Homes for Haringey has saved £90,000 in enforcement and maintenance costs over the past year.

On 3 November, Ofcom is meeting with local authorities from across London to share the success of the Homes for Haringey partnership. If this collaborative and proactive approach is rolled out across the capital, local authorities stand to save an estimated total of £1 million per year.

Illegal broadcasting:

Clive Corrie, Head of Ofcom's Spectrum Enforcement team, said: "Illegal broadcasting harms local communities and risks lives by interfering with vital communications used by the emergency services and air traffic control.

"By working in partnership with local authorities, Ofcom is tackling this problem. We also strongly urge those broadcasting illegally to get involved with internet or community radio, a legitimate route on to the airwaves."

Astrid Kjellberg-Obst, Executive Director of Operations at Homes for

Haringey, said: "Pirate radio stations damage people's homes and can be extremely distressing to our residents.

"We've seen huge success in tackling the problem with the measures that we've introduced, removing all pirate radio stations from Haringey and saving the borough tens of thousands of pounds in the process. We will continue to work with Ofcom to keep Haringey pirate-free."

Harmful interference to emergency services:

Pirate radio causes interference to critical radio services, including those used by the emergency services and air traffic control. In 2014, the UK's air traffic control service NATS has reported 55 cases of communications interference from pirate radio.

Ofcom also receives reports each week from the emergency services and other, legitimate radio services of illegal interference. Ofcom has powers to seize illegal broadcasting equipment and prosecute those involved. Accessible, legal alternatives to get on to the airwaves:

For anyone wanting to broadcast a radio station, Ofcom offers accessible, legal alternatives to get on to the airwaves. Since 2005, Ofcom has issued community radio licenses, enabling small stations across the UK to get on-air right and serve their local communities. More than 200 community radio services are now broadcasting.

Ofcom is also supporting a new, innovative way for smaller stations to broadcast on digital radio. If tests are successful the system, called 'small scale DAB', promises to open up digital radio to smaller broadcasters for a fraction of current costs.
Posted by: (Mike Terry, Nov 3, dxldyg via DXLD)

** U K. PETER DONALDSON --- Radio 4 news has just announced his death.

From Wikipedia:

Peter Ian Donaldson (born 23 August 1945) is a retired English newsreader on BBC Radio 4. He was born in Cairo, Egypt and moved to Cyprus in 1952 at the time of the overthrow of King Farouk. He was a frequent listener to the BBC World Service and the BFBS.

On his return to Britain, Donaldson was educated at Woolverstone Hall School, a state boarding school in Suffolk, from the age of 14. He left after taking O-levels at 16 and joined Sadler's-Wells London in a backstage role. After working with the New Shakespeare Company at the Open Air Theatre in Regent's Park London, and appearing on stage at the Aldwych Theatre London with the Royal Shakespeare Company, he went

to Sri Lanka for a film.

In 1968, his father, who was still living in Cyprus, heard an on-air vacancy for announcers with BFBS and Peter applied. He passed the audition and subsequently worked in Cyprus, Aden, Libya and Malta.

He joined BBC Radio 2 in 1970 as a presenter and newsreader but switched to Radio 4 in 1973. However, in the autumn of 1974, before it began broadcasting on 1 October that year, he joined the presentation team of Radio Hallam, the commercial independent local radio station located in Sheffield, serving South Yorkshire and the North Midlands. He returned to the BBC after about a month or so and was promoted to Chief Announcer in 1988.

He gave up the post of Chief Announcer and Head of Continuity in 2003 and retired in July 2005. However, he returned to the station on 28 August 2005 on a freelance basis. He invariably read the news on Radio 4 over the Christmas period, often in long shifts.

Over the years, he was involved in many disagreements with management. When the then Director-General Greg Dyke announced a plan to "cut the crap" from the BBC and sent plentiful publicity material to all members of staff, Donaldson famously threw his in the bin, before writing to Dyke informing him that he has "Taken your [Dyke's] advice - and cut the crap".

One morning in the 1970s he criticised the then-running Radio 4 programme Up to the Hour on air, naming himself "Donald Peterson" and very nearly being sacked for it.[1][2] He has stressed in interview the importance, in his view, of "understanding and being interested in the material in front of you in order to involve the listener". He comments that there are some newsreaders (unspecified; but not within Radio 4) who "clearly have no understanding of what they are reading" and the quality of the broadcast suffers.

He has a distinctive form of Received Pronunciation "BBC accent" - one of the few left on radio in the 21st century - and his delivery incorporates idiosyncratic pauses in the middle of sentences. In the 1980s, his voice was used on the pre-recorded warning that a nuclear attack had been launched on the British Isles during the Cold War, which would have been transmitted on television and radio from a studio in Broadcasting House in such an eventuality.

More recently, in 2000 he played the resentful and sarcastic butler Theremin, homicidal manservant to the celebrated occult investigator Lord Zimbabwe, in the BBC Radio 4 comedy Ectoplasm, and he also featured in a series of short Radio 4 programmes on the end of World War II, reading news reports of the time.

He appears to remain at loggerheads with BBC management, and in 2006 it was reported that he would no longer read the news on the Today programme, in opposition to the changes made by management to start that shift earlier and include an extra News Briefing programme. He retired on 31 December 2012, his last broadcast being the midnight news on New Year's Eve.

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Peter_Donaldson
Posted by: (Mike Terry, UK, Nov 3, dxldyg via DXLD)

Ten years ago, after secret files were released by the National Archive, Donaldson revealed he had been part of the government's plans should there be a nuclear attack on the UK. He was chosen to read bulletins on the Wartime Broadcasting Service, a radio station which would have replaced all others should an attack happen.

In 2005, Donaldson re-recorded words which had previously been covered by the Official Secrets Act. The bulletin, which would have been played on the hour, began: "This is the Wartime Broadcasting Service. This country has been attacked by nuclear weapons. Communications have been severely disrupted, and the number of casualties and the extent of the damage are not yet known. "Meanwhile, stay tuned to this wavelength, stay calm and stay in your own homes." More here
http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/entertainment-arts-34707749
From: (Mike Terry, dxldyg via DXLD)

** U K [and non]. 7325, Oct 29 at 0629, BBC in French is just closing via Woofferton, and // 7305 which is ASCENSION, but the latter continues in Hausa after a beamswitch from 27 to 55 degrees.

9460, Oct 31 at 0625, BBCWS in English is good here, tho at 65 degrees from ASCENSION, during this hour only, ex-7445 in the A-season, which remains in use during the previous hour with even better signal.

9915, Nov 4 at 0601, BBCWS news in English, good signal, slightly stronger than // 9460. Both are 65 degrees from ASCENSION 9915 at 06-08; 9460 at 06-07 (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1798, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U K. 17530-17540, Oct 29 at 1349, loud DRM noise, 1350 switches to AM carrier, off, back on with DRM; 1423 still DRM. Some testing, but nothing registered in HFCC. Just yesterday around 1400 on 17535 I was getting BaBcoCk in AM only with music loop and test announcements, presumed from Woofferton. Nothing in drmna yg or drmna.info about any such DRM on 17535 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A [and non]. [Re 15-43:] After the Danish National Chamber

Orchestra has been eliminated after 75 years...
http://www.thelocal.dk/20141209/historic-danish-orchestra-silenced-forever

So much also for "viral" stuff. In this case it was merely good for making the foreign observers believe that there is a happy end.

It's not the only example of a "radio orchestra" without a reference to broadcasting in its name. Deutsches Symphonie-Orchester Berlin is the former RIAS/SFB orchestra, now run by Deutschlandradio with a small share held by Rundfunk Berlin-Brandenburg, as it is the case with Rundfunk-Sinfonieorchester Berlin, founded in 1926, in 1945 continued by Berliner Rundfunk, thus becoming the orchestra of Rundfunk der DDR.

> Also mentions the NBC Symphony Orchestra of the 1930s-1950s ...

These were of course completely different times for classical music: Before pop took over (Kai Ludwig, Germany, dxldyg via DXLD)

** U S A. WH2XDE update --- Hi Jerry, Well, DST is almost over, so I wonder if you still plan to resume carrying World of Radio, and if so, confirm day and time? Or whether WH2XDE [1750 kHz] is still on the air, as I have not seen any logs of it for a long time. Please update the status. 73, (Glenn to Jerry Whitney, Oct 30, via DXLD)

Hi Glenn, All of our tests were finished this summer mostly during daylight hours. The license expires in the spring so I don't expect much more activity. There is some thought to renew or apply for some shortwave frequencies but no decision has been made yet. Thank you to you and your listeners for the interest. I will send an update if there are any changes to the status of the station. 73 (Jerry Whitney, WH2XDE, Nov 2, WORLD OF RADIO 1798, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 5403.5-USB, Nov 1 at 0037, W3FOX is calling CQDX (David M Fox, in Arnold, Maryland); very poor signal; also someone calling CQDX in CW. See also CANADA (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 13561.4, V1RGO/B, East Haven CT; 1445, 5-Nov; pipper QRM (Harold Frodge, Midland MI, USA, Drake R8B + 125 ft. bow-tie; 60 ft. RW & 185 ft. center-fed RW, All logged by my ears, on my receiver, in real time! DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 13564-CW, Nov 2 at 1453, HIFER Part 15 beacon GNK from WI, and simultaneously on 13565-CW, even weaker HIFER Part 15 beacon K6FRC from CA, separable with BFO (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 13565, Oct 30 at 1452, K6FRC part 15 HIFER beacon from Patterson CA, audible at same time as 13564, GNK from Madison WI

(Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 26110/FM, KMK282, KOVR-TV Sacramento CA studio relay; 1539, 29-Oct; Good Day Sacramento with remote from the San Francisco Aquarium; DA with OC on/off during break. Good peaks but scratchier & fadier than yesterday (Harold Frodge, Midland MI, USA, Drake R8B + 125 ft. bow-tie; 60 ft. RW & 185 ft. center-fed RW, All logged by my ears, on my receiver, in real time! DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. John Vodenik passed away recently. John was an engineer at the Voice of America relay station in Bethany OH, north of Cincinnati. John led MARE on a tour of the facilities shortly after it closed in 1994 (MARE Tipsheet 30 Oct via WORLD OF RADIO 1798, DXLD)

** U S A. 9610, Oct 29 at 1217, Greenville carrier is already on, prior to 1230 Vatican Spanish relay, violating Separation of Church & State --- does it really need to warm up that long? Same goes prior to the 0200 relay on 7305, 7425. Might as well modulate it with something useful, like VOA, God forbid.

6080, Oct 29 at 0634, VOA news, about Republican debate, VG over Cuban pulse jamming which is presumably spurious here, also audible when VOA is off. In B-15, VOA English morning usage of 6080 is: 03-04 via Vatican; 04-07 via SVO TOM…, with a radical azimuth switch at 0500 from 138 to 20 degrees [Later: confirmed this is Greenville subbing for Pinheira] (gh)

15580, Sat Oct 31 at 2105, VOA News in English gives way to nondescript rock music, presumably from VOA Music Mix, VG signal as the only hour left in English via Greenville. Too bad it`s not an hour earlier when I suppose `Music Time in Africa` still airs.

17885, Nov 1 at 1457, news discussion, soon outro as `The Correspondents` from VOA, ``so long from Washington`` and drop carrier immediately at 1459*. This is so strong, the SSOB in fact, that it could easily pass for Greenville, but HFCC shows 100 kW, 126 degrees from SAO TOME at 1400-1500 [sic] only. Directly off the back would be 306 degrees. Yes, I am within one degree of that reverse azimuth! Are there more such emissions? No, this is the only one in English; just 15460 at 17-19 in ``sna`` which means Shona (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A [and non]. The Voice of America is no longer broadcasting in English via shortwave & medium wave to most of the world, but transmissions in English to Africa continue. Below are the B15 frequencies for VOA English to Africa. Many of these frequencies can be received outside of Africa.

Times are UT. Frequencies are in kilohertz (kHz). $ denotes Saturday & Sunday only. Medium wave frequencies are 909 kHz (via Botswana to southern Africa) & 1530 kHz (via S„o TomÈ to central & western Africa). All other frequencies are shortwave.

VOA English to Africa (effective 25 October 2015)

0300-0400	909	1530	4930	6080	15580	
0400-0430	909	1530	4930	4960	6080	15580
0430-0500	909	4930	4960	6080	15580	
0500-0600	909	4930	6080	15580		
0600-0700	909	1530	6080	9550	15580	
1400-1500	4930	15580	17885			
1500-1600	4930	6080	15580	17895		
1600-1700	909	1530	4930	6080	15580	17895
1700-1800	6080	13590	15580	17895		
1800-1830	13590	15580				
1800-1830 $	909	4930				
1830-1900	4930	13590	15580			
1830-1900 $	909					
1900-2000	909	4930	13590	15580		
2000-2100	909	1530	4930	6080	15580	
2030-2100 $	4940					
2100-2200	1530	6080	15580=[the ONLY one via Greenville --- gh]			

(VOA Radiogram via MARE Tipsheet 30 Oct, DXLD)

I recently lamented that 17895 is no longer on via Greenville for midday VOA English. The 17895s in this schedule are via: 15-16 S„o TomÈ: 16-18 Vatican (Glenn Hauser, DXLD)

QSL card from a little bit confused staff at VOA --- VOA 1530 kHz, Pinheira relay in Sao TomË e Principe, verified an electronic report sent to letters@voa.gov, askvoa@voanews.com, letteruser@voanews.com, voanews@voanews.com, with a QSL card with wrong details and transmitter site field left blank (!) in 48 days. Only frequency was correct and the two included dates (03/29/15 and 10/25/15) were totally wrong as my report was dated 09/11/15!

I suppose this QSL card was for another listener who instead received my verification card. If such unlucky guy is reading my message, please write me so we can exchange cards! The QSL card, kept in a big envelope, was shipped from Washington by air-mail on 25th September 2015 and was delivered to me on 30th October 2015! Posted by: (Antonello Napolitano, Italy, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

I am not sure why they did not indicate the transmitter site, but I might have an explanation for the date. If you notice that the time specified corresponds with the A15 frequency plan. So my theory is that this is indeed your card. Instead of noting a specific date, they

noted the whole time period for A15. I believe I have a couple cards from VOA like this (Bill Harms, Elkridge, Maryland, ibid.)

Dear Antonello, That's just their "QSLing style". For some strange reason, VoA staff does not indicate the actual reception date on cards. Instead, they write two dates which correspond to the start and the end of a broadcast season (i.e. March 29 -- October 25 for A15). So the verification is yours, don't worry. :) Best 73 (Dmitry Mezin, Kazan, Russia, playdx yg via DXLD)

** U S A. NonProfit [sic --- this heading always appears when I copy and paste stuff from VOA; nice to know]

VOA DOCUMENTARY SCREENING AT U.S. INSTITUTE OF PEACE

WASHINGTON D.C., October 30, 2015 -- Academy Award winner Sally Field hosts and narrates VOA's new documentary A Single Step: Journeys of Women Leaders exploring the barriers women face in the developed and developing worlds in human rights, health, climate change and civil society.

Produced in partnership with the Asia Broadcasting Union, the 30-minute documentary will have its first Washington screening on Tuesday, November 3rd at the United States Institute of Peace (USIP) at 4 pm. A panel discussion will immediately follow the film. There will then be a reception at 5:15 pm.

A Single Step is "an important initiative for VOA as we profile women leaders around the world who are change agents and role models for future generations," says Acting VOA Director Kelu Chao. "This is the type of programming that will have a lasting impact with our global audiences."

The five women profiled in this film are agents of change: Katie Meyler is one of TIME's Person of the Year for her work during the Ebola crisis in Liberia; Peggy Liu is helping to create a more environmentally conscious China; Sharon Bhagwan Rolls is giving women a voice in Fiji; Dr. Sachiko Kuno is nurturing social entrepreneurs in Washington, D.C.; and Dr. Aparna Hegde is using mobile phones to provide critical health care information to poor pregnant women in Mumbai.

The keynote address will be given by Cathy Russell, U.S. ambassador-at-large for global women's issues. John F. Lansing, chief executive officer and the director of the Broadcasting Board of Governors, will introduce the film. The moderator of the panel discussion will be Tara D. Sonenshine, former under secretary of state for public diplomacy and public affairs. Panel speakers will include Beth Mendelson, the

senior executive producer of A Single Step; Kathleen Kuehnast, senior gender advisor at the USIP; and Sanam Naraghi-Anderlini, co-founder and executive director of the International Civil Society Action Network (ICAN). Click here to view the trailer:
https://vimeo.com/133454009
(VOA PR via DXLD)

** U S A [and non]. WORLD OF RADIO 1797 monitoring: confirmed second SW broadcast, Thursday Oct 29 at 2100 on WRMI 7570, now quite good, aimed toward us and not absorbed so much as in summer. (Meanwhile, 7490 WBCQ had something else.) Also confirmed UT Friday Oct 30 at 0100 on WBCQ 9330.1-CUSB, S9+25 (from next week: 0200). Next this week:

Fri 2130	WRMI 15770 to NE
Fri 2130.5	WRMI 7570 to NW
Fri 2330	WRMI 5850 to NW
Sat 0730	HLR 7265-CUSB to SW [DST unshift now]
Sat 1530	HLR 7265-CUSB to SW [DST unshift now]
Sat 1930v	WA0RCR 1860-AM ND?
Sun 0315v	WA0RCR 1860-AM ND?
Sun 2300	WRMI 11580 to NE

Remainder are [DST unshift now]:

Mon 0400v	WBCQ 5110v Area 51 to WSW
Mon 0430	WRMI 9955 to SSE
Tue 1200	WRMI 9955 to SSE
Wed 1415.5	WRMI 9955 to SSE
Wed 2200	WBCQ 7490v to WSW

WORLD OF RADIO 1797 monitoring: confirmed Friday Oct 30 at 2130 on WRMI 15770, and at 2130.5 on WRMI 7570; now the latter is stronger here, and the former is fading down by 2145. Also confirmed Friday Oct 30 at 2330 on WRMI 5850, good. Next:

Sat 0730	HLR 7265-CUSB to SW [DST unshift now]
Sat 1530	HLR 7265-CUSB to SW [DST unshift now]
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WORLD OF RADIO 1797 monitoring: confirmed from 1531 UT Sat Oct 31 on Hamburger Lokalradio, 7265-CUSB, as heard via UTwente SDR (and a few

minutes earlier, gh with the propagation report on Media Network Plus). There is lite CCI from CRI in Hindi via Kashgar, East Turkistan, which was not the case when checked in late A-15, and HLR programming was one hour earlier, altho then and now CRI was also scheduled on same parameters in Sinhala at 14-15.

Also confirmed on WA0RCR, Missouri, 1860-AM, UT Sunday Nov 1 at 0345 at 23 minutes into show, so started circa 0322. From next week, nominal time is 0415 (and previous airing in daytime, Saturday 2030v). Next:
Sun 2300 WRMI 11580 to NE
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Mon 0430 WRMI 9955 to SSE
Tue 1200 WRMI 9955 to SSE
Wed 1415.5 WRMI 9955 to SSE
Wed 2200 WBCQ 7490v to WSW
(Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1798, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Another quick update on the IRRS WOR relay: I tried recording 1368 kHz this past Sunday 2015-11-01 around 2200z waiting for the WOR rebroadcast. Oddly enough, IRRS kept playing some music through the full hour at 2200z, and finally, around 2214z (just before minute 11 in the attached recording), the latest WOR started airing.

Unfortunately, my recording device ran out of power before long, so I can't confirm whether this time the whole program or again just a part has been aired. If we'd assume any logic and intention behind it, the odd timing might be attributed to special All Saints holiday programming on November 1st. Yet I'd rather think that the whole program lineup was unintentionally delayed by about 10 minutes because the usual full hour ID was broadcast around 2210z, followed by the usual newscast.

In the local morning aroud 0900, both the "FRS" Free Radio Service Holland on 9300 and Radio Mo Amigo on 9560 were reasonably audible on 31 m (snippet attached).

On the day before, on Saturday 2015-10-31, WOR from Goehren 0730 was audible on 7265 in compatible USB, but the signal suffered quite a bit from local QRM (electrical noise) and some fading. Usually, this signal can be heard considerably better here in Europe. Thank you. Best regards (Tobias [squared], Germany, WORLD OF RADIO 1798, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

WORLD OF RADIO 1797 monitoring: confirmed after 2300 UT Sunday November 1 on WRMI 11580 (a time which is constant); 2329 fill music starting with thunder, 2330.0 legacy ex-WRUL ID, 2330.5 RUI relay,

first IDing as ``Ukrainian Radio``, then ``Radio Ukraine International``.

WOR 1797 also confirmed UT Monday Nov 2 at 0402, on Area 51 via WBCQ 5109.7-CUSB, time shifted one UT hour later; slightly overlapping UT Monday Nov 2 at 0430 on WRMI 9955, ditto. Next:
Tue 1200 WRMI 9955 to SSE
Wed 1415.5 WRMI 9955 to SSE
Wed 2200 WBCQ 7490v to WSW

WORLD OF RADIO 1797 monitoring: confirmed Wed Nov 4 at 2200 on WBCQ 7489.95-CUSB. Tuned in at 2158 and could hear BBC Bow Bells underneath from Thailand relay also aimed at North America but so far WOR/WBCQ on top here. Too bad they are both using 7490 at this time.

WORLD OF RADIO 1798 monitoring: confirmed first SW broadcast Thu Nov 5 at 1230 on WRMI 9955, fair and clear. Next:
Thu 2100 WRMI 7570 to NW
Fri 0200 WBCQ 9330v-CUSB to WSW
Fri 2130 WRMI 15770 to NE
Fri 2130.5 WRMI 7570 to NW
Fri 2330 WRMI 5850 to NW
Sat 0730 HLR 7265-CUSB to SW
Sat 1530 HLR 7265-CUSB to SW
Sat 2030v WA0RCR 1860-AM ND?
Sun 0415v WA0RCR 1860-AM ND?
Sun 2300 WRMI 11580 to NE
Mon 0400v WBCQ 5110v-CUSB Area 51 to WSW
Mon 0430 WRMI 9955 to SSE
Tue 1200 WRMI 9955 to SSE
Wed 1415.5 WRMI 9955 to SSE
Wed 2200 WBCQ 7490v to WSW
(Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. See WRMI Okeechobee TX op schedule:
<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1nEVwCMB9RSKowLzLXamyayVpCzjmPAw_SB1r3YOdzQc/edit#gid=0>

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 5850 2300 0700 2,3            YFR 100 315 805 Eng    RMI tx12
 5850 1000 1100 2,3            YFR 100 315 805 Eng    RMI tx12 Sun
 5950 1100 1200 11             YFR 100 181 805 Spa    RMI tx14 AWR
 5950 2200 2400 11             YFR 100 181 805 Spa    RMI tx14
 5985 0400 0430 11,12          YFR 100 222 805 Spa    NHK tx2
 5985 0400 0500 10-12          YFR 100 222 805 Spa    RMI tx2
 7455 0000 0800 10             YFR 100 285 805 Eng    RMI tx13
 7570 2100 1100 2,3            YFR 100 315 805 Eng    RMI tx11
 7730 0300 0400 10,11          YFR 100 222 805 Spa    RMI tx1
 9395 0000 2400 3,4,9          YFR 100 355 805 Eng    RMI tx6
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 9955 2100 1400 10-16          YFR 100 160 902 EngSpa RMI tx10
11580 2003 1400 5,9,11N        YFR 100  44 902 Eng    RMI tx9
11825 1000 2200 3,4,9          YFR 100 355 805 Eng    RMI tx8
11920 0100 0300 12-16          YFR 100 160 902 Spa    RMI tx4
15190 2300 0300 36-38,46-47,52 YFR 100  87 902 Eng    RMI ex A-15 tx7
15770 1300 2200 18,27-29,37    YFR 100  44 902 Eng    RMI tx3
17790 1400 2300 36-38,46-47,52 YFR 100  87 902 Eng    RMI alt. tx7
21675 1000 2300 36-38,46-47,52 YFR 100  87 902 Eng    RMI tx7
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tx5 not registered. tx7 not on air on Oct 30 at 16 UT, only adjacent TDF RFI French Issoudun 21580 kHz at 17-18 UT, and WHRI 21600 kHz noted. But 21675 heard later around 19 UT (Wolfgang B¸schel, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

5950, Thu Oct 29 at 2331 on WRMI, AWR Wavescan is starting, first item read by Ray Robinson about RÈunion`s QSLing history, formerly on SW. Broad tuning has bad het from 5952.5 BOLIVIA, but LSB eliminates it. Then find same program on much stronger 5850 WRMI, very good signal, not synchronized, but ahead of 5950 by about a semi-minute. 5950 is the hi-angle, short-range antenna for Cuba, and that transmission is to shift one UT hour later on Nov 1; while 5850 is 315 degrees right at us to the NW.

7455, Nov 1 at 0102, WRMI is open carrier/dead air instead of TruNews, just some hum and the RTTY QRM. TN is OK on its other frequencies 5850 and 9395. 0111, still DA on 7455.

5950, Sunday Nov 1 at 2359, WRMI ID by Dino Bloise, UT Monday Nov 2 at 0000 starting Radio Mundial Adventista from and to Cuba; still no jamming. This is #14 transmitter on hi-angle antenna making for poor signal here, fair at best. The 00-01 block is first RMA, and the 0030 slot filled by alternating DX programs 7 days a week, Antena DX, Frecuencia al Dia y Wavescan (which is hard to render into Spanish). Jeff White told me this 5950 transmission is the only one besides 9955 to shift one UT hour later from today, and so it has, in keeping with DST-off in Cuba as well as USA.

9955, Mon Nov 2 at 1425, WRMI is missing from #1 frequency, which after DST unshift should be running until 1500* (including WORLD OF RADIO Weds at 1415.5). Other WRMI frequencies are on nominally, so assume this is an aberration, maybe automation not reset yet? See also FRANCE [non]

15770, Nov 2 at 2153, WRMI is playing fill music, first something Middle-Eastern, then something Western; 2159 ID by Zanotti and 2200* off. Supposed to be on 15770 at 2100-2200 Mondays is Radio France International (also Tuesdays; also at 2115-2200 Wednesdays, 2130-2200 Thursdays, despite being only fragments of the one-hour broadcast,

evidently strictly as filler). Apparently, the timeshift has confused WRMI automation which has not been updated to compensate.
See also KOREA SOUTH [non]

15770, Tue Nov 3 at 2103 news in English, presumably RFI restored to this hour via WRMI, but sked only on Mon & Tue; reduced to fragments 2115-2200 on Wed, 2130-2200 on Thu. 7570 at same time with `Studio DX` in Italian. Since 7570 is aimed across NAm, and 15770 toward Europe, it would be better to exchange these programs.

9955, after yesterday`s anomalies, what will WRMI do today, Nov 4? 1255, `Wavescan` in progress with JSWC log reports (does anyone get anything useful out of those?)

9955 at 1320, now a report about Syrian refugees in Norway, 1325 ending with no Radio Prague ID before music fill, just referring to radio.cz; 1329 WRMI sports promo; 1330 R. Eslovaquia Internacional --- yes, in Spanish instead of scheduled English! Must have plugged in wrong file, but at least it`s closer than Korea in English as heard yesterday at this time. Does not go off at 1400*. At 1411, more music fill, soul, 1414 recap of headlines from Cyprus on FG Radio; 1415 gh WRMI ID, 1415.5 WORLD OF RADIO 1797 as scheduled. (But the WRMI color-coded transmission schedule grid still shows the 9955 hours off as 14-21 UT instead of 15-22.)

All fair to good with no jamming, altho back at 1320 I thought I was hearing some slight musical CCI --- but nothing else in HFCC or Aoki, which BTW as of Nov 3 under 9955 shows a complete WRMI program schedule --- except the times are one hour too early now, e.g. WOR Wed at ``1315``.

Next and final WOR 1797 airing: Wed 2200 (ex-2100) on WBCQ 7490v. We shall be interested to note whether there is QRM from BBC Thailand now that both are scheduled (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 7489.9-AM, Oct 31 from 0100 I monitor the second hour (or final half-sesquihour) of WBCQ`s `Allan Weiner Worldwide`; says he prepared for it and succeeded in DXing last Saturday`s UN-Day SAQ test from Sweden on VLF 17.2 kHz. Had to go to a quiet location away from transmitters and powerlines, used an RAK-7 WW II receiver which tunes 14-600 kHz and a 100-meter longwire. So there`s your answer, that the Alexanderson Alternator has been heard in North America.

0111, mentions falling out with James Latham of Radio for Peace International, whom he had met and hosted as they had common interests, but not after WBCQ started broadcasting Hal Turner, in keeping with Free Speech; got a writeup at the SPLC site as a ``station of hate``. Now Turner back on WBCQ is calling our president

``the magic Negro``.

I believe before 0100, AWWW was // but probably not synchronized on 5109.7-CUSB, but recheck at 0122, now it`s something else, discussing video games, World of War, etc. Allan is talking about new programming including this, Fridays at 9 pm ET (henceforth 0200 UT Sats), but I couldn`t catch the name. Larry Will tells me, ``"Grogcast" is the name of the program. Tonight was the second broadcast. I am running them on the 5110 webcast as a favor to WBCQ and the program sponsors, so they can have a webcast parallel to shortwave. Regards, Lw``

`Ramsey`s Roadhouse` may be down to last five programs, but Allan doesn`t think they will quit. [Mon 7-7:30 pm ET = UT Tue 0000-0030 on 7490v]

New on Thursday nights, 5110:
8 pm ET [0100 UT Fridays] `Just Right`
9 pm ET [0200 UT Fridays] `Listening Device` including some music

On 9330: 6 pm ET Sat [2200 UT this week, 2300 UT thence], Radio Northern Ireland; this week however about Scotland. The Mennonite show continues Wed 9 pm ET [now 0200 UT Thu]; and he also mentions `Don`s Electric Dragster` [??] without a time.

0142 is time for benedictive prayer; a bit more conversation with Tom that Nov 5, 1990 was the final final broadcast of Radio Caroline. And Allan cryptically says he`s working on a ``new project this winter, a game-changer for free speech radio worldwide, changing the future of broadcasting, working on it in earnest``. Presumably from the Land of Fla as he doesn`t like temps below 72. 0146 chime and JIP Brother Scare on 7490v (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1798, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

5109.7-CUSB, UT Monday Nov 2 at 0002, WBCQ Area 51 opening GRITS show (`Ghost Riders In The Sky`) with that theme music, but shortly into a ``live`` The Who concert from long ago. This hour has competition from another WBCQ, 7489.9, `Le Show` with Harry Shearer, as now Utimeshifted off DST (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Hi Glenn, I have been noticing quite an uptick in listeners, phone calls, emails, snail mail, etc., to WBCQ on all our frequencies the last six months. Seems more people tuning in all the time. Lots of new listeners too.

Wondering about it. Perhaps more people getting fed up with the "main street media". Perhaps what I call the "radio effect" is more in play. Meaning a program on a real radio station has much more of an impact then the zillions of webcasts out there. Perhaps with the specter of

financial ruin due to the credit economy we have concocted, a generally more unstable world, more people are tuning in?

Whatever the case may be, we at WBCQ are ready. Installing generators and even a steam engine so we can stay on the air no matter what. Shortwave will never go out of style. And the NSA will never know when you are listening on a real radio.

As always, thank you for all that you do with WOR. A true service to all who listen. Cheers, (Allan Weiner, WBCQ Radio, Nov 2, WORLD OF RADIO 1798, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 17775+, Oct 29 at 1425, KVOH is very slightly on the hi side compared to 11775 Anguilla on the FRG-7, much closer than the +.3 recently measured on the NRD-545. By 1852 UT Oct 29 on the NRD, however, I put it slightly on the lo side, 17774.98 or so.

9974.9, Oct 31 at 0054, KVOH is S9+25 but with humbuzz about disciples of Satan, cut at 0055 to TruNews about US in Syria, from Simon Marks, Washington correspondent. A stringer? Name sounds familiar. Yes, with Feature Story News; remember that from Global 24? http://www.simonmarks.com/ Does he not realize that being picked up by TruNews will damage his journalistic credibility?

9975.11, Oct 31 at 0245, next check of KVOH has shifted/drifted up to here on the other side of 9975, still hummy (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 7504.7, Oct 30 at 0106, WRNO is on with usual preacher, some distortion and hum, strong signal. Last time I tuned, Oct 25 at 0147, it was AWOL, but not rechecked in the meantime.

7504.7, Nov 2 at 0457, WRNO overmodulated/distorted with ID as 7505, from New Orleans, and presumably about to close down on DST unshifted span of ~02-05 UT (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 15610, 13830, 12050, 11550, Oct 30 at 1445, WEWN is AWOL from all possible frequencies. Radar maps show no storms in the AL area, so maybe they are mowing around the antenna farm. Propagation OK, as WWCR 15825 is even getting a sporadic-E boost, and Mother`s other SW neighbor, Mocking WJHR 15555-USB is sufficient as usual. Not rechecked until 2038, when 12050 and 15610 are on, but 13830 is off.

One of WEWN`s three transmitters continues to be down: Nov 1 at 1416 and still at 1505, 1618, missing from 12050, leaving Spanish on 11550, English on 15610. Not on 13830 either. Own SW schedule still hasn`t been updated from A-15 and DST: http://www.ewtn.com/radio/freq.htm

12050, Nov 1 at 2334, WEWN Spanish VG with organ music, fill during a mass? Much stronger than 15610 WEWN English, and no third transmitter/frequency audible, checking 11550, 13830 and 5810.

12050, Nov 1 at 2355, canned QSY announcement that they are leaving 12050 & 13830 for 5810 and 11870 --- NOT! If I were running a SW station, I would have accurate canned frequency announcements available for every contingency. Later on UT Nov 2, it seems that 5810 is on but 11870 is off.

7515, Nov 2 at 0622, WEWN Spanish is on here, but nothing on 11870, while English is VP on 11520.

12050, Nov 2 at 1442, this one is still off while 11550 is on with bigsig and 15610 weaker with English.

11870, Nov 4 at 0603, WEWN Spanish is on the air again and // much stronger 7515; also English on 11520, so all three transmitters are once again funxional. BTW, WRTH reminds us they have 4 x 500, one as a backup (but obviously not employed lately; really only for scavenging parts? Also, they have been rumored to be running much less than 500 kW, no doubt the case for many other SW transmitters with 500 kW ratings/original capability) (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 15680-15690 & circa 15965 [not 15695 as typo in original report], Oct 30 at 2040, WWCR scratchy spurs are audible // very strong fundamental 15825 at modulation spikes, plus and minus about 140 kHz. No doubt they are always radiated, but this path is getting a sporadic E boost, as evidenced by 10m ham maps, but not 6m (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 12105, Oct 31 at 0045, S7 open carrier/dead air from WTWW-3, which Ted is again allowing to burn many kWh for nothing. Still so at 0132, S6; that`s 47 kWh so far if running full power, maybe not, and not allowing for inefficiency factor.

12105, Oct 31 at 2114, WTWW-3 with open carrier/dead air. I leave a receiver on 12105 for the next 4 hours while otherwise occupied, and no modulation ever starts, as Ted wastes at least 400 kWh of juice which his employer, Scriptures for America will have to pay the bill for --- but then, maybe the Bible Worldwide ministry will still be billed for and pay more than enough for this airtime, clueless that nothing was transmitted, as we have noted frequently on this transmitter. Boo hoo, I find this ``programming`` much more interesting than anything else on WTWW-3. Specific later chex of same: DA at 2318 Oct 31, measured on 12104.97 at S9+25; at 0056 UT Nov 1, DA, down to S3 and CODAR QRM.

9475, meanwhile, WTWW-1 was modulating normally thruout.

5085, WTWW-2 not on the air before 0000 (nor 9930), but at 0008 it`s starting an `Unshackled` episode, and another must have followed (Ted imposing reverb to give it more ``depth``), as wrapping up at 0103; 0105, ``WTWW brings you ñ an exclusive Hallowe`en Unshackled``, as must have dredged up from huge archive episode(s) on that theme.

5085, Sunday Nov 1 at 0641, WTWW-2 is on very late with Christian testimonial, not even music, new schedule? Tue-Sat only it`s of course on for `Midnight [sic] in the Desert` with Art Bell at 05-08 UT [ex 04-07], but had been silent on weekends during those hours (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

9475, WTWW Lebanon TN (presumed); 2138, 4-Nov; Patently Perverted Past Pastor Pete Peters profusely pontificating; "Jesus has all authority and you have none buddy!"; then he invoked the passage, "Wives be subject to your husbands as it is in God." A different huxter, also on WTWW, invoked the same passage recently, except he said "submit to" instead of "be subject to". (Oh those pesky translations.) Solid S30 (Harold Frodge, Midland MI, USA, Drake R8B + 125 ft. bow-tie; 60 ft. RW & 185 ft. center-fed RW, All logged by my ears, on my receiver, in real time! DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A [non]. PALAU: 9930, 1305, T8WH with English Bible Bumper from CA talking about 'mixed marriages' where one person is a Christian and the other isn't. Non-ID for "World Vision Ministries" mentioning AIDS in Asia into a "Special English" bible reading with lots of riffing on the phrase "by faith" ñ for example, "By Faith, you CAN get along with your Mother-in-Law." (I'm NOT making that up!) BoH "World Harvest Radio" non-ID into Jesus pop. Another Non-ID/Promo for SW & World Harvest Radio.

1345 into another English Bible Bumper "MFC Ministries" with Pastor Rena Perozich & "Apostle" Joe Perozich with relatively non-crazy Bumping, but no explanation as to why she was only a Pastor but he was an Apostle. I'm sure there is a story there! [According to their website "In his personal life, Apostle Joe was a blessed entrepreneur, owning a successful preowned car lot for almost 20 years." You can't make this stuff up. He went from used-car salesman to Preacher! -kvz]

Legal T8WH Palau ID at 1359 into Right wing wacko "news" from USA Headline News. Lead item was that the "Bomb/clock boy" was moving to the Mid East. I wonder if they might have an agenda or bias? :o Drake SPR-4 3544+4 weakish but surprisingly good intelligibility! 1305-1405 25/Oct (Ken Zichi, Port Hope MI2, MARE Tipsheet 30 Oct via DXLD)

** U S A. 9265 [non], WMLK: See USA: 1540 KXEL log

** U S A. CHINA RADIO INTERNATIONAL propaganda on US MW stations: see extensive press items under CHINA [non]

** U S A. 770, Oct 29 at 0640 UT, `Red Eye Radio` is a full 30 seconds ahead of flagship 820 WBAP which delays it for some reason (plenty of time to hit the kill button for sensitive Metroplexians?). 770 being KKOB and/or KKOB.

(I notice some editors delete my comments about KKOB and KKOB. Let me remind you that there are TWO KKOBs on 770, one in Albuquerque and at night one in Santa Fe, and from this angle it`s not possible to be sure which is being heard, or both. KKOB itself is no help, without any individual IDs) (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 790, Oct 30 at 0036 UT, ad for Hollywood-something, so could it be KABC already? No! Back to Springdale Junior High Football, i.e., usual nearby KURM Rogers AR. This is a Thursday night (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. Re UNIDENTIFIED. 870, Oct 29 at 1157 UT, guy speaking English with Britishish accent, loops roughly east-west --- certainly not WWL, XETAR or KFJZ, but what? Could be a preacher. Nothing listed seems to fit. Fades before 1200 UT (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Hi Glenn, I wonder if your 870 unidentified could be WKAR from East Lansing Michigan? It is NPR from Michigan State University and carries many BBC programs. I believe it is 10 kW daytime only (Steve Frock, KB8QHE, Springfield, Ohio, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Steve, I bet you`re right. I was not looking far enough beyond adjacent and second-adjacent states. Their schedule shows BBC Outlook until 1200 UT, and local sunrise was 1208 UT today; FCC sunrise for October was 1145 UT (Nov: 1230 UT; Dec: 1300 UT). Daytime pattern heads NNW, but rather broad without a deep null toward here. And I was also getting WNWI 1080 Chicago area a few minutes later. Tnx, (Glenn Hauser, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

870, WKAR, MI, East Lansing - 10/27 0746 [ELT = EDT = 1146 UT] - Good in WWL null with OC on at 0745, then brief s/on: "...Michigan...WKAR, East Lansing" and directly into audio from the BBC World Service (Rick Dau, at the Hotel Davenport in Davenport, Iowa (217 domestics, 220 overall heard here), Sangean ATS-909X, Quantum QX Pro loop antenna, NRC AM via DXLD)

** U S A. 1010, Oct 29 at 1258 UT, I am paying more attention than

usual to the gospel huxter here in English, since the AM Switch column in the latest NRC DX News Nov 2 refers to the St Louis market 1010 station, twice as ``KXFN`` -- surely a typo? Altho stranger things have happened in swapping calls around, a.k.a. trafficking:

``SPECIAL TEMPORARY AUTHORITY (STA)
1010 KXFN MO St. Louis ñ Station was placed into receivership, FCC granted receiver permission to take control of station, and receiver discovered station is not operating properly at night; applies for STA to stop night broadcasting for now.``

``Stations informing the FCC that they are silent: 590 KFNS IL Wood River ñ Silent Nov. 12, 2014; station was placed into receivership, FCC granted receiver permission to take control of station, and silent notice has now finally given. (See co-owned KXFN-1010 above.)``

I thought the g.h. was male, but outro show as joycemeyer.org [sp?], 1259 UT ad for St Louis New Testament Church, weather, and finally at 1301 ID as KXEN (NOT KXFN). Of course a spoken ID even at hourtop does not necessarily mean it is correct; witness 1120 KETU/KEOR, and 1650 KFSW/KYHN! So I consult FCC AM Query:

Yes, as far as FCC is concerned, 1010 is still KXEN, while the real KXFN is also in St Louis, but on 1380, and they are separately owned, KXEN by BOJ Radio Enterprises LLC and KXFN by Grand Slam Sports LLC, holding that callsign on 1380 since 6/20/2012. Quick, can you remember what the 1380 call was originally? (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 1060, Oct 29 at 0659 UT sounds like M. Angelica, soon plug EWTN, insert ID for ``KRCN 1060 AM, Longmont-Boulder-Denver``. Good dominant signal which we should not be getting in the nightmiddle, 50000/111 watts U1 ñ guess which? Does Angelica condone such violations, in the name of God? (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 1060, Oct 30 at 0032 UT, mixing with the Mexican music presumably KXPL El Paso, is a station in English with a bunch of ads mentioning Arizona, including Albertson`s. Therefore it is KDUS, Tempe, 5000/500 watts U2, address in Guadalupe; a new one for me (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Sounds like you got a good dose of Arizona there! KDUS's three-tower array sits along I-10 and is impossible to miss. It's also at 5 miles from my QTH, so there's that (Raymie Humbert, Phúnix, WTFDA Forum via DXLD)

** U S A. 1060, Oct 30 at 1255 UT, Mexican music is dominant from the

WSW, surely KXPL El Paso as heard also in the evening, without ever admittedly IDing itself.

1060, Nov 2 at 0010 UT, Mexican music dominating from west, vs XERDO het evitable from south, so presumably KXPL El Paso already (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 1080, Oct 29 at 1205 UT, talk in non-Russian Slavic QRMing KRLD about 6-7 Hz away. Must be the Polish ethnic station in Chicago market, address in Riverdale, WNWI Oak Lawn IL, 3/2.6 kW U2 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 1120, Oct 29 at 1207 UT, gospel huxter in English with KMOX mutually nullable, but in between seems zero-beat until I detect a very slow SAH of 15/minute = 0.25 Hz, no doubt KTXW Manor TX (Austin), 5600/155 watts U4; no KEOR/KETU yet from OK. KTXW official sunrise is not until 1230 UT; November: 1300 UT (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A [and non]. I wish I could get WRVA better. My aunt and uncle used to live there and I've visited Richmond a number of times. 1140 here in South Carolina sounds more like a graveyard channel now for some reason. Years ago I heard WRVA much better even though I'm not in the lobe of the directional antenna. There was always some kind of tone mixed with it, I surmised it might be Cuba trying to jam the Miami station on 1140. Does anybody remember that? You could even hear it deep in the background at night in Richmond's far west end, farthest from the transmitter in Varina, Virginia. My favorite announcer was Lou Dean who did the all night show. I have his theme song, "Devotion" by Otto Cesana in the computer at our station. The computer picks it up and plays it late at night from time to time. I always think of Lou Dean when I hear it. Now, WRVA is just another of the cookie cutter type stations (Bob Smoak, WBSC-LP, Bamberg, S. C., Nov 4, ABDX yg via DXLD)

There was a Cuban jammer on 1142.3. I could get them on eastward Bevs from SoCal back in the late 80's etc. 73 KAZ (Neil Kazaross, IL, ibid.)

** U S A. Fun on 1300 aimed south with WRDZ gone. New tonight to me south are WMTN TN and WOAD MS. Last night mixing with unneeded WLXG in semi-auroral conditions was a Spanish station with La Ranchera ID's. Nothing I can find fits that and all my sources say that WBZQ (which didn't use that slogan) is still off the air. Ideas anyone? 73 KAZ Barrington IL Perseus and 128 ft x 21 ft DKAZ aimed due south (Neil Kazaross, 0015 UT Nov 5, ABDX via DXLD)

WBZQ is dead and quite unlikely ever to return, from what I hear. s

(Scott Fybush, NY, ibid.)

Neil, As I have reported several times altho not lately, in shortwave crossover information, La Ranchera is 880 WMDB in Nashville, as relayed by WNQM 1300, and also tnx to WWCR mixing products on 6220 and 8820 during the hours that 7520 is on air. 73, (Glenn Hauser, NRC-AM via DXLD)

Thx Glenn, not needed of course. I had checked WNQM website but it doesn't seem updated. 73 KAZ (Neil, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 1360, Oct 29 at 1232 UT, Spanish plugging Nueva Vida church in Dallas, i.e. KMNY in its ex-Money format, 50000/890 watts U4, CoL Hurst TX. Its sun just rose officially at 1230 UT; November: 1300 UT.

Since keeping call despite getting religion, can we come up with a new slogan to fit? Well, evangelism is still all about money to do it; or MULTICULTURAL RADIO BROADCASTING LICENSEE, LLC could be interpreting KMNY as ``many``. ``May Not Yell`` would be helpful too (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. Just heard KQSC-1530, was KKHI, at 1915 EST [0015 UT Nov 3] with "The Springs` Newest Radio Station" with Classical music (Bill Block, Prescott Valley, AZ, Nov 2, IRCA via DXLD) Colorado Springs, that is; ironically, old call KKHI was originally classical HI-fi FM station in San Francisco (gh, DXLD)

** U S A. 1540, Nov 1 at 1331 UT, Elder Jacob O Meyer is speaking on `the Sacred Name Telecast [sic]`, also on radio and has own ``SW radio station here at Bethel, Pennsylvania``. EJOM is sounding quite vivacious, considering he is dead since 2010.

This loops NE/SW and is surely KXEL Waterloo IA, still in on skywave half a sesquihour after sunrise here. Yes, on the SNB radio log at: https://www.assembliesofyahweh.com/wp-content/uploads/2013/11/Radio-and-TV-Log.pdf

Which however is amusingly outdated, a page from their magazine of two years ago, and it was outdated even then. Of only five US domestic stations, KXEL`s time shown as Sunday 11:30-12:00 pm = ambiguously meaning morning instead of night?

Also with long-gone split-frequency Caribbean outlets, Dominica 595, Grenada 535, and also Radio Anguilla 1530 --- huh? Was it ever on that frequency? Long ago it was on 1505, and a neat split DX catch for many including myself.

As for WMLK shortwave, CYA: ``WMLK Radio Assemblies of Yahweh Shortwave (Note: There are times that WMLK is not broadcasting because

of maintenance or repairs.)`` I`ll say! it remains off the air as it has been for over a decade. Read all about it at http://wmlkradio.net/ especially this Update page, but undated and unchanged for years, no progress at all? They got the 250 kW unit in 2006! http://wmlkradio.net/wmlk_radio_bbc_250kw_tx_update.htm
If they EVER come back, WRMI and WINB may have to cede some time to WMLK on 9955 and/or 9265 (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1798, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 1560, Oct 30 at 0025 UT, fantasy sports discussion from Yahoo SR is blasting in S9+20 from the SSE/NNW, obviously KGOW Bellaire/Houston TX, still on day pattern to the NNE, and maybe day power of 46 instead of 15 kW night into the Gulf SSE --- which makes it a frequent DX catch in S America. 0026 UT ads for TIAA-CREF and Arizona State University (a legit school, trying for national online business, to outdo ``University of Phúnix``) (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

As to ASU, they have a lot of alumni in Texas; you can even get an ASU Sparky license plate there! Also, as a student at said university, their online operation is completely in line with their mission under Michael Crow (Raymie, AZ, WTFD Forum via DXLD)

** U S A. BCB DX LOGGINGS FROM SHAWN M. AXELROD VE4DX1SMA, VEPC4SWL DXíing from: Winnipeg MB Canada, RECEIVERS: ICOM ICR70 / DRAKE R8 ANTENNAE: 3 Foot un-amplified box loop / Quantum QX LOOP v2.0 / 155 Foot U shaped outdoor wire / 100 Foot indoor wire run around the basement walls / MFJ 1026 Phasing unit, Times are: Eastern Local time for Domestic DX, UTC for non-Canadian and USA DX

1580, KAMI, NE, Cozad, 11/03 1755 [EST = 2255 UT]. Fair signals with news and weather for Nebraska. There was a KRVN ID given. Country music followed. I went to the KRVN web site and sure enough KAMI is listed as a sister station right at the top. I believe this to be one of my previous UNID stations on 1580 solved. Remember on a Clear Day You Can Hear Forever (Shawn Axelrod, VE4DX1SMA, Winnipeg MB Canada, NRC-AM via DXLD)

** U S A [and non]. Silent night --- One of our locals is silent pending a sale and the restoration of its full directional facility.

The station is KMIK (soon to be KHEP) Tempe [Mesa], which operates a 50/50 service when it's actually on. KMIK was a Radio Disney station with a heritage that mostly includes Buck Owens.

Earlier this year, KMIK was sold to Jacob Barker's Gabrielle Broadcasting. Barker is the general manager of a religious AM here, KXEG 1280. The revival of the KHEP calls that used to reside there is

no coincidence, and the station is set to be some sort of talker.

But for now, it's not on air. This is SOP for Radio Disney sales, but it's also because one of the six towers in KMIK's nighttime directional array fell down when a guy anchor rusted below ground and the tower gave way. They have an STA for 12.5 kW (one-fourth of authorized power) ND, as is often authorized in these situations. But the station is currently silent until the new KHEP can come to air.

So what comes through with KMIK gone?

The answer, unfortunately, is rather pedestrian. It's sloppy, but some Spanish makes it over the slop, and it sounds rather religious. It's KBLA Santa Monica CA, another 50/50 that dumps a lot of signal into the water to protect the station that's off the air. (Neither is a clear-channel because of their very directional setups.)

There's also an English station that wants to come through, but I have no idea what. The next closest 1580 is in Colorado Springs. There was also a 1580 in Hermosillo, Sonora, but it's gone now; it was a Grupo ACIR station, XEDM (now XHDM-FM 102.7). It was a 50 day/night operation until 1998, when its owner applied to lower power to 10 kW. That 1580 would have been about 60 miles closer to KMIK.

"...Un servicio m·s de Radio Programas de MÈxico." [ironic tagline]
(Raymie Humbert, Phúnix AZ, Oct 29, WTFDA Forum via DXLD)

Thanks for the info on this, Raymie. Despite the pattern, I did catch this in south FL as KNIX around 1989, when my own semi local WSRF was off at night. Buck O. was still the owner at that time, I think. I wish I had it recorded. This station may be the most common US catch in Australia (!!). I had a tape of it (as KCWW in 1990 ish) sent from Australia, in AM Stereo of all things. Sadly there is no YouTube of KMIK from down under, but here is one of KBLA:
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WMbkl-xbVoA
cd (Chris Dunne, Pembroke Pines FL, ibid.)

KMIK (now KHEP) is going to be cutting its nighttime power significantly, to 95 watts.

In October, not long before the sale consummated, one of the six towers on the nighttime array fell due to a rusted guy anchor that slipped. The other five towers have the same problem, and now they will leave the site altogether, to move to the (co-owned) KXEG tower site. The application, and an extension to their STA to remain off the air, have been filed with the FCC.

The greatest irony is that KXEG once bore the KHEP calls; and believe

it or not, the KHEP sign is still on the transmitter building at that tower site. So the callsign is reunited with the transmitter building and the KHEP sign.

This is a significant move, across town, and it will likely mean that the other tower site, which takes up quite a bit of space and is visible off the Loop 202 freeway in Mesa, will be sold (Raymie, AZ, Nov 4, ibid.)

** U S A. Re Phoenix FM bandscan: While I'm here, I should mention: KPNG runs high school football games every Friday night produced by our state high school association. With commercials. Actual commercials. And this is a station on 88.7. They could face an FCC fine for that (Raymie Humbert, Phoenix, Oct 30, WTFDA Forum via DXLD)

I also noted commercials on 88.3 KNAI DX catch June 23; must be contagious in The Valley (gh, DXLD)

Not hearing the spots, is there a call-to-action if a phone number is mentioned, or do the spots read, "(name of company) can be reached at (phone number)...."? I know that it's a matter of semantics, but if they don't say "Call now!!", it seems to slide. I am not a lawyer, but it can be tricky. Possibly even when websites are mentioned, they may be able to get away with "on the Web, they are at [url]". cd (Chris Dunne, FL, WTFDA Forum via DXLD)

Addressing specifically Chris' post.. and remembering I'm an engineer, not a lawyer...

Yep, "222-3456, Call now!!" is a problem. It's a call to action, urging the listener to do something.

Also illegal would be "222-3456, Acme Variety has Nature's Best produce at the lowest prices in town". Compares Acme's produce to its competitors.

And, "222-3456, Acme Variety has Nature's Best lettuce for 99 cents a head". Lists a price.

And, "222-3456, Acme Variety is having a sale on Nature's Best lettuce for 15% off". Sale is an inducement to buy.

"Acme Variety can be reached at 222-3456" is OK.

And yes, "on the Web they are at www.acmevariety.com" is OK, even if www.acmevariety.com is loaded up with inducements to buy.

"222-3456, Acme Variety has Nature's Best lettuce" is OK - the fact is that they have the lettuce; they aren't asking you to buy it; and they aren't claiming it's better than Nature's Worst lettuce.

I've heard a LOT of announcements over the years that sound like they could be commercials but in the narrow definition, aren't. I can only recall hearing two that actually *were* (in my opinion) illegal.

Here's the official, if somewhat lengthy, word on what's legal on a non-commercial station. The page contains links to enforcement decisions, where stations actually got in trouble for illegal underwriting.
https://www.fcc.gov/encyclopedia/noncommercial-nature-educational-broadcasting
(Doug Smith W9WI, Pleasant View, TN EM66, http://www.w9wi.com Oct 31, ibid.)

** U S A. 88.9, Santa Cruz CA via webcast, Oct 31 at 0415 UT or so, `KUSP On Site` host Robin Whitehouse says that from next week the program moves to Fridays at 7-9:30 pm PST, i.e. 0300-0530 UT Saturdays and follows another classical music show (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

I enjoy On Site a great deal, appreciate the fine music and the quality of recording/webcasting. Glad it has survived your programming revamp. And I hope this will include the New Music Festival and the Bach Festival for years to come.

I appreciate Robin Whitehouse presenting it, but would urge him to emphasise more giving all pertinent details rather than trying to be cute. Rhapsody in Blue tonight --- who was the pianist??? Soloists must be identified (also clarinetist in this one). He didn`t even mention the conductor of the Santa Cruz Symphony.

And what became of the ``other`` classical music show that he said last week would be preceding On Site at its new time? (Glenn Hauser, KUSP online webform; no reply, via DXLD)

** U S A. 101.5, WWBN, Tuscola MI, 25-OCT at 0523Z+, on tune-in heard ìBanana 101.5 Flintî ID & promo over the distinct sound of a womanís sexual panting, and later a ìWWBN Tuscola-Flintî ID and ì40 minutes commercial freeî promo, with lots of rock music and sexual innuendo stuff for the youngíuns. SIO-555, SONY ICF-SW7600GR + battery + stock whip (Tom Root, Flushing MI, MARE Tipsheet 30 Oct via DXLD)

** U S A. $10K PENALTY PLANNED FOR REPEAT NEW JERSEY PIRATE RADIO OPERATOR

"We propose a penalty of $10,000 against JosÈ LuÌs Hern·ndez for operating an unlicensed radio station on 95.9 MHz in Passaic, New Jersey. The Commission previously warned Mr. Hern·ndez that operation of this unlicensed station was illegal and that continued operation could result in further enforcement action. Mr. Hern·ndezís deliberate disregard of the Commissionís warning warrants a significant penalty. Commission action in this area is essential because unlicensed radio stations create a danger of interference to licensed communications

and undermine the Commissionís authority over FM broadcast radio operations." More here:
https://www.fcc.gov/document/10k-penalty-planned-repeat-new-jersey-pirate-radio-operator
Posted by: (Mike Terry, Oct 30, dxldyg via DXLD)

FCC FINES EL EMPERADOR $10K FOR PIRATE OPERATIONS
Radio World By Susan Ashworth November 2, 2015
http://www.radioworld.com/article/fcc-fines-el-emperador-10k-for-pirate-operations/277439

The FCC has issued a $10,000 fine to an alleged pirate radio operator for operation of a station from two locations in northern New Jersey.

In response to a complaint, on Feb. 10 of this year agents from the Enforcement Bureauís New York Office used mobile direction-finding equipment to locate the source of radio frequency transmissions on 95.9 MHz. The efforts led to an FM antenna mounted on the roof of a single-family residence in Passaic.

The agents recorded the station, took field strength measurements of the signal and determined that the transmissions exceeded the limits for operation under Part 15 of the commissionís rules, and therefore required a license.

In March the New York enforcement office sent the property owner, RamÛn Su·rez, a Notice of Unlicensed Operation informing him that an unlicensed station was operating at a residence owned by him and warned him that continued unlicensed operations could result in additional enforcement action. No response was received, the FCC said, but upon returning to the property agents noted that the FM antenna had been removed from the roof.

Then in July, agents again used mobile direction-finding techniques to identify the source of transmissions at 95.9 MHz to a new, nearby location in Passaic, a multifamily dwelling. Agents again recorded the station and took field strength measurements. They notified the buildingís superintendent, Henry PÈrez Espinoza, that an illegal station was being operated there. Espinoza confirmed that the station operator was JosÈ LuÌs Hern·ndez, who the FCC says refers to himself as ìEl Emperador.î

An Internet search revealed that a radio station calling itself ìLa Consentidaî was purporting to operate on 95.9 MHz in New Jersey and that ìLa Consentida FM Radioî belongs to Hern·ndez. The antenna had been removed.

On Oct. 30, Hern·ndez was fined for operating on 95.9 MHz after being

warned that the operation of this station was illegal. The FCC found that Hern·ndez willfully and repeatedly violated the Communications Act by operating a pirate radio station and handed down a $10,000 fine, the base forfeiture for a violation of this type.

Hern·ndez has 30 calendar days to pay or offer evidence as to why the penalty should be reduced or cancelled. Posted by: (Mike Terry, dxldyg via DXLD)

** VATICAN [non]. 7305, Nov 3 at 0154, Vatican Radio relay via Greenville USA is already on fundamental and mixing spur 7425 leaping over 7365; Pope speaking Italian, voice-over in Spanish. While the 7305 carrier is always on long before 0200, normally VR does not start modulating until 0200. So is this a special, or a permanent change? Goes off at 0230* instead of 0245 as well, but when did it start? More under ALBANIA, where the 7425 intermodulation has made it necessary for R. Tirana to move.

7305, Nov 4 at 0133, open carrier already from Greenville-B prior to Vatican Radio relay in Spanish --- it signs on at 0145 ``para AmÈrica Latina y el Caribe`` but didn`t catch any frequency or time mentioned. Off before 0237 next check. So it appears that this transmission has been moved from 0200-0245 to 0145-0230, and along with it the leapfrog mixing product over 7365 MartÌ landing on 7425. It`s almost as if VR had shifted the time in order to avoid QRMing Albania on 7425 from 0230 --- but no such request was made and surely coincidental. Meanwhile, Tirana is still on replacement 7470 (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1798, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** WESTERN SAHARA [non]. ARGELIA, 1550, Radio Nacional Rep˙blica Arabe Saharaui, Rabouni, 1933-1942, 29-10, Arabic comments. 23322 (Manuel MÈndez, Lugo, Spain, Logs in Friol and Lugo, Sangean ATS-090X, Tecsun PL880, Degen, 31MS active loop antena and cable antenna, 8 meters, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

CLANDESTINAS: 1550, Frente POLISARIO, Rabouni, ArgÈlia, continua sem as rubricas em castelhano, no fecho da emiss„o matutina, e no princÌpio da vespertina; se as mantÈm noutros hor·rios, ainda n„o descobri. Obs. em 02/11, 1159-1303*, ·rabe, texto, canÁıes, hino (nova vers„o); 35443. (Carlos GonÁalves, southwest coast of Portugal, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ZANZIBAR. TANZANIA, Zanzibar Broadcasting Corporation on Oct 29: from 1800 on 11735 DOL 050 kW / non-dir to CeAf Swahili, not English https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yXAaipv2cYM&feature=youtu.be

Zanzibar Broadcasting Corporation, English news
1800-1808 on 11735 DOL 050 kW / non-dir to CeAf, but not Daily

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LpEmvrzsnJo&feature=youtu.be
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Oa4omLCZjPw&feature=youtu.be
73! (Ivo Ivanov, B`lgariya, Nov 4-5, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. Oct 29 I awaken at 1145 UT, so right to the DX-398 for a Trans-Pacific carrier search, starting as always with 774 which is memorized in USB offset mode --- there it is, a JBA carrier from the NW, and stronger than all the others I detect in the next few minutes: 747, 702, 693, 594, 873, 972, 1053, 1125, 1143. Back to 774 at 1159 straining to hear a trace of the NHK timesignal at 1200, but cannot. Sunrise here not until 1252 UT (Glenn Hauser, Enid OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST) See also JAPAN

UNIDENTIFIED. 800, Oct 29 at 1239 UT, weak Spanish with KQCV OKC nulled as much as possible, but never completely. Suspect XEROK Ju·rez on greatly reduced power from 50 kW, as we know by previous webcast check it continues to be an ``800`` station altho mostly inaudible. UT -6 timecheck at 1242 UT fitting for a border city still on MDT; W&M low-key conversing but can`t pull anything locally identifiable; much weaker than 720 presumed another Ju·rez but fading by 1243 UT; 1249 UT brief musical segment (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST) see MEXICO

UNIDENTIFIED. 980, Oct 29 at 1253 UT, romantic music in Spanish, good signal looping WSW; 1254 UT non-ID like ``980, a la torre``(?), more music; fading by 1256 UT. Probably usual XEFQ, Cananea, Sonora (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 1660, Oct 30 at 0023 UT, ranchera music on east-west antenna briefly and then lost. I suppose it`s DKXOL Brigham City UT, as sunset there is about 5 minutes later. Since they are illegal, do they power down from 10 to 1 kW anyway? Maybe that would lower the fine.

BTW, FCC is considering in an NPRM following thru on the original X-band rationale, i.e. turning off the <1600 kHz parent station if not the X-bander; now which one was that? KXOL is not on the list since it is already ``deleted`` (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 4880.0, Nov 1 at 0006, very poor carrier at S6, no modulation heard. No Latin Americans here, but Aoki shows only AIR Lucknow, India, opening at 0025. But it`s pretty steady, maybe something closer, like an harmonic, 4 x 1220 or 8 x 610 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. NvO IDENTIFICADA, 4975.5, 1930-..., 01/11, m˙sica pop'; pelas 1941, o sinal j· tinha desaparecido; 35332 (Carlos GonÁalves, southwest coast of Portugal, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 6060, Oct 29 at 2355, noise blob amid which a carrier is detectable; this is not like Cuban jamming, more like DRM but narrow-band, only 2-3 kHz each side. Could be the defective Zahedan, Iran transmitter in Arabic until 0230, ex-9421v (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 6145.00-USB, Oct 31 at 0035, more brazen INTRUDERS into the SWBC band, 2-way in Spanish discussing putas. Before 0100 they`ll be driven away by RRI in English (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 7618-SSB, approx., Nov 2 at 1436, MARS or similar, YL dictating brief message very, very slowly, and I-spelling any possibly ambiguous words, such as ``to``; the body of it: ``A reminder: it is a [acronym] violation to announce the designator of the channel on which you are currently transmitting``. She`s in contact with an OM, and both of them ``beep`` at end of transmissions so don`t have to say ``over``. Finished at 1438, the OM closed the net but couldn`t catch his or her IDs. So they can announce the designator of some other secret channel for a QSY (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 9940, Oct 29 at 1214 tone test, 1215 talk in Burmese? poor signal with CCI. Does not fit B-15 HFCC which has 11-14 IBB in Bod (Tibetan) via Tajikistan; and FEBC Bocaue, Philippines only at 1430-1500 in Uighur; suspect FEBC may have expanded (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 11930, Oct 31 at 0628, the residual Cuban pulse jamming here against R. MartÌ which uses 11930 only during the daytime, is now accompanied by intermittent carriers cutting on and off quickly and irregularly. They are at several different displacements from 11930.0 which means with BFO we hear a variety of tones; and if we zero-in on one of them, the pitch of the others naturally changes. Not CW, but I wonder if these are nevertheless conveying some intelligence, as part of the Dentro Cuban Jamming Command, and the DGI Spy Numbers Stations. I had the same thing around 11930 several months ago. Or just random bleeps out of the jammers in addition to pure noise? (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. PIRATE, Weak signal of Horizont FM on October 27 from 1215 on 15700 unknown tx site to Eu English
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6B3SbsIufs0&feature=youtu.be
73! (Ivo Ivanov, Sofia, B`lgariya, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

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(David Ricquish, RHF, Nov 4, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

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CANADA and SP&M: ROBERTO PAVANELLO CANADIAN RADIO TOUR 2015

Durante il mese di agosto di questo 2015 ho avuto modo di visitare le citt‡ canadesi di Montreal, Quebec, Halifax, St. John's ed il dipartimento francese d' oltremare di Saint Pierre et Miquelon.

Naturalmente grande spazio di tempo Ë stato dedicato alle visite alla varie emittenti radiofoniche delle localit‡ visitate. La prima localit‡ raggiunta Ë stata Montreal, la pi˘ grande citt‡ francofona al mondo dopo Parigi. La nostra, anche durante questo viaggio ero in compagnia di Dario Monferini di Milano, il DX Editor del bollettino Play DX, visita della emittenti di Montreal iniziava da Radio 9, piccola emittente FM locale che durante il mese di agosto era ancora una stazione musicale, ma che oggi dovrebbe gi‡ essere diventata un' emittente di solo sport, l' unica ad offrire questo genere di programma nella citt‡.

Proseguivamo con la CISM stazione attiva su 89.3 MHz. » questa la stazione radio dell' universit‡ francofona cittadina. Il fenomeno della radio universitarie che da noi Ë nato solo da pochi anni, e tranne l' unica eccezione dell' emittente dell' universit‡ di Siena attiva anche in FM vede attive solo delle web-radio, in Canada Ë attivo da decenni ed offre una bella scuola di giornalismo agli studenti delle stesse.

Si proseguiva con un' altra stazione studentesca, la CJLO; questa addirittura attiva sulle onde medie, nell' X-band su 1690 KHz e quindi potenzialmente ricevibile anche in Italia se le condizioni di propagazione sono favorevoli e se la stazione pirata greca che quasi sempre occupa la frequenza Ë in pausa.

La prima giornata del nostro tour fra le radio di Montreal si chiudeva con una visita a Radio Ville Marie. Ville Marie Ë il nome con cui i coloni francesi avevano chiamato il villaggio da loro costruito sulle rive del fiume San Lorenzo, villaggio che poi Ë diventato la citt‡ che noi oggi chiamiamo Montreal. Radio Ville Marie, comunemente chiamata Radio VM, Ë un emittente di ispirazione cattolica che diffonde per

Montreal e il Quebec programmi musicale e culturali di natura cattolica con anche ritrasmissioni dei programmi della Radio Vaticana.

Se il primo giorno era stato dedicato alle "piccoline", il secondo giorno del tour radiofonico di Montreal era dedicato alle "grandi", sia commerciali che governative.

Iniziavamo dalla sede del Gruppo Cogeco posta a 50 metri dal nostro hotel. Il Gruppo Cogeco attiva ben 4 stazioni radio, The Beat, 98.5 FM, CKOI e Radio Circulation. The Beat e CKOI sono due stazioni musicali, 98.5 Ë specializzata in notizie sportive e Radio Circulation, ancora attiva sull' onda media di 730 KHz Ë interamente dedicata a notizie sul traffico che in Montreal, come in tutte le grandi citt‡, Ë particolarmente caotico. Inutile dire che il tutto Ë modernissimo Ë assolutamente all' avanguardia.

La nostra successiva met‡ era il Gruppo Bell, quello della telefonia che opera perÚ anche in campo radiofonico. Qui le stazioni erano ben 6, NRJ, la branchia canadese del network internazionale con sede in Parigi, Rouge FM di easy Music, CJAD di news e talk sull' onda media di 800 KHz, Virgin Radio, la sorellina canadese della londinese Virgin Radio e cuginetta della nostra Virgin Radio il network di musica rock attivo anche in Italia, TSN 690 KHz e CHOM straordinaria stazione di Classic Rock attiva su 97.7 MHz.

Anche qui il massimo dal punto di vista tecnico e tanta simpatia da parte di tutto lo staff. Lasciati questi 2 grandi gruppi raggiungevamo la piccola sede di CPAM 1410 KHz. » questa l' emittente della comunit‡ creola per lo pi˘ emigrata da Haiti che cosÏ ha anch'essa una emittente a cui appoggiarsi con programmi sia in creolo che francese.

Si tornava in pieno centro cittadino per visitare l' emittente della municipalit‡ di Montreal, la CYBL 101.5 MHz. » questo un genere di emittenti assolutamente sconosciuto in Italia ma diffusissimo in Spagna ove moltissime sono le emittenti municipali che informano sulla vita cittadina. Questo Ë infatti lo scopo primario dell' emittente.

Toccava ad un' altra emittente comunitaria, Radio Centre Ville 102.3 MHz. » questa una stazione multietnica con programmi nelle lingue delle varie minoranze etniche cittadine, spagnolo, portoghese, creolo, greco, cinese, arabo ma non italiano. Chi avr‡ la pazienza di leggere fino alla fine scoprir‡ il perchÈ dell' assenza della nostra lingua dalla programmazione di Radio Centre Ville.

Toccava ad un altra emittente universitaria, quella della universit‡ anglofona del Quebec, la CKUT attiva su 90.3 MHz. Ospitata in una sede che a me pi˘ che a quella di una radio universitaria Ë sembrata un covo delle Brigate Rosse, Ë questa una stazione che chi ama l'ascolto

delle stazioni pirate nordeuropee puÚ magari riuscire a captare anche in Italia. I suoi programmi vengono a volte ritrasmesse, infatti, da una di queste. Lasciata la CKUT raggiungevamo quello che dal punto di vita radiofonico Ë stato il momento pi˘ elevato di tutto il viaggio.

La visita alla sede centrale della CBC Radio Canada, l'emittente pubblica canadese, l' equivalente di Saxa Rubra in Italia. Avevamo infatti un appuntamento con lo staff di Radio Canada International, il servizio per l' estero della radiodiffusione canadese. Che delusione rispetto alla nostra prima visita del 2003. Pi˘ niente onda corta, ma solo Internet, non pi˘ 80 dipendenti ma ormai solo 18. Operano ancora in francese, inglese, spagnolo, greco, arabo e cinese.

Il programma su cui il governo canadese pi˘ conta Ë quello in cinese ma sanno che il governo cinese ha bloccato i collegamenti al loro sito percui possono essere ascoltati solo al di fuori dalla Cina. L'impressione che ho avuto Ë quella di un' agonia destinata a consumarsi a breve. Triste fine di una radio che ha fatto la storia della radiofonia internazionale sulle onde corte.

Era quindi con un po' di tristezza che concludevamo il nostro tour fra le radio di Montreal. Ci sarebbe stata ancora una stazione radio cittadina da visitare ma per noi era cosÏ importante che volevamo lasciarla come ultima da visitare dell' intero viaggio, quando saremmo tornati in Montreal per prendere l'aereo per il ritorno in Italia.

MercoledÏ 5 agosto ci trasferivamo in autobus a Quebec City, il capoluogo del Quebec e sicuramente da un punto di vista artistico e storico la pi˘ bella citt‡ dell' intero Canada. Era giovedÏ 6 agosto che iniziavamo le nostre scorribande fra le radio di Quebec.

Iniziavamo con un grande gruppo, il gi‡ menzionato, Gruppo Bell che in Quebec City due emittenti, le gi‡ menzionate e visitate in Montreal, NRJ su 98.9 MHz e Rouge FM su 107.5 MHz. Il genere musicale Ë lo stesso, vale a dire rock contemporaneo per NRJ e easy listening per Rouge FM. Naturalmente dal punto di vista tecnico nulla da invidiare alle consorelle di Montreal.

Negativa L [sic] visita alla sede locale della CBC, in cantiere aperto per ristrutturazioni e quindi nessuna possibilit‡ di poter visitare gli studi.

Studi che invece venivano visitati alla CKRL piccola emittente di oldies attiva su 89.1 MHz. Pieno successo anche la visita a X Rock 100.9 MHz e CHOI 98.1 MHz due bellissime emittenti rock, classic e modern, forse quelle con la miglior programmazione cittadina. La prima giornata fra le emittenti di Quebec City veniva chiusa dalla visita a CKIA Radio Basse Ville 88.3 MHz, altra stazione comunitaria che non si

sa come faccia a sopravvivere fra tante stazioni commerciali.

Anche il successivo venerdÏ era dedicato alle radio di Quebec City. Iniziavamo da due nelle stazioni musicali di propriet‡ del gruppo Leclerc ospitate nella stessa moderna sede, la CKOI 102.3 MHz e la WKND 91.9 MHz.

La nostra attenzione era attirata dallo strano nome di quest'ultima, nome che farebbe pensare ad una stazione statunitense e non canadese (tutte le radio statunitensi hanno call lettera di 4 [sic] lettere ove la prima e o W o K). Ci veniva spiegato che WKND Ë l'abbreviazione di Week-End in quanto Ë proprio nei fine settimana che l'emittente raccoglie il maggior successo di audience con i suoi programmi sportivi incentrati sulle dirette dello sport nazionale canadese, l'hockey su ghiaccio. Ci veniva anche spiegato che non c'Ë pericolo di confusione con qualche stazione radio statunitense perchÈ nessuna radio statunitense ha il call letter WKND e che il loro call letter "legale" Ë in realt‡ CJEC.

Lasciati i simpatici weekendaioli passavamo alla stazione cristiana di Quebec City, la CION Radio Galilee che opera su 90.9 MHz. Ben pi˘ modesta della Radio Ville Marie di Montreal Ë ospitata in una villetta di periferia e da lÏ irradia interminabile prediche su argomenti biblici.

Chiudevamo con altre due emittenti musicali FM 93 e M FM 102.9 MHz. Molto simpatici tutti i presenti ma non certo all'altezza come apparecchiature e qualit‡ dei programmi delle altre emittenti commerciali cittadine.

E anche con le emittenti di Quebec City avevamo terminato. Sabato 8 agosto tornavamo, sempre in autobus a Montreal, e domenica 9, in aereo, ci trasferivamo in Halifax, il capoluogo della Nova Scotia ove arrivavano sotto un vero e proprio diluvio.

LunedÏ 10 agosto iniziavamo le nostre escursioni fra le radio di Halifax. Per prima raggiungevamo la sede locale della governativa CBC. Edificio modernissimo e quanto di meglio si possa osservare in una stazione radiotelevisiva. Se a questo aggiungente che tutte le persone li incontrate sono state felicissime di vederci e parlare del loro lavoro vi renderete conto che Ë stato un vero piacere visitare una cosÏ importante emittente.

Niente visita agli studi ma solo la raccolta di qualche adesivo alla successiva meta, due stazioni commerciali all' estrema periferia della citt‡ FX 101.9 MHz e Wave 89.9 MHz. Toccava poi alla CKDU 88.1 MHz. E' questa la stazione degli studenti della locale universit‡ e quindi il livello delle apparecchiature scendeva di parecchio ma non certo la

voglia e la gioia di fare radio da parte del suo staff.

Le prime emittenti commerciale della Nova Scotia che visitavamo erano Energy 103.5 MHz e Live 105. Ospitate nella stessa sede sono una stazione di Hits la prima e di Modern Rock la seconda. Anche qui belli gli studi e tanta la simpatia. Ma il meglio della stazioni commerciali di Halifax erano la meta della successiva visita.

Altre due stazioni ospitate nella stessa sede Q104 di Classic Rock e Radio 96.5 di easy. Davvero straordinaria la professionalit‡ di Q104 per quanto riguarda la diffusione dei programmi di musica rock. Davvero la stazione radio che tutti gli amanti di questo genere musicale desidererebbero ascoltare nella loro citt‡. Come prima giornata bastava. Avremmo proseguito l' indomani.

Anche il giorno successivo eravamo per le strade di Halifax. La nostra prima meta era l' unica sede di due emittenti FM, C 100 e The Bounce 101.3 MHz. Due emittenti musicali di poche pretese che cercano di sopravvivere in mezzo a tanta concorrenza.

Ben pi˘ importante la met‡ successiva: Jack FM in Halifax su 92.9 MHz. Jack FM Ë un network nazionale di rock and pop presente in tutto il Canada anglofono di propriet‡ del Gruppo Rogers altro big della telefonia canadese. Gi‡ durante il nostro precedente soggiorno canadese del 2003 avevamo avuto modo di visitare emittenti del gruppo e mai sono state al di sotto delle nostre aspettative.

PressochÈ unica la meta della nostra terza tappa, la Northwood Broadcasting Club. E' questa una stazione radio attiva solo sulla sottoportante audio di un canale della TV digitale terrestre cittadina ospitata all' interno di una casa di riposo che si rivolge agli ospiti della stessa. L' equivalente canadese delle varie stazioni ospedaliere inglesi, tanto per intenderci. Non pensate perÚ a giradischi e dischi in vinile, PC e CD riempiono lo studio della stazione anche se, naturalmente, trasmette quasi unicamente oldies.

Si concludeva con una casetta alla periferia della citt‡ ove Ë ospitata Seaside 105.9 MHz, stazione a conduzione famigliare di easy music. E anche con Halifax avevamo terminato. L' indomani si sarebbe preso l' aeroplano per trasferirsi a St. John's, il capoluogo del Newfoulands, la mitica Terranova di marconiana memoria.

GiovedÏ 13 agosto eravamo sulle strade di St. John's. La prima tappa era alla sede della CBC. La CBC di St. John's gode di grande popolarit‡ fra gli appassionati di radioascolto in quanto col call letter CKZN ritrasmette i programmi del servizio inglese sulla frequenza di onda corta di 6160 KHz, ascolto durante le ore notturne possibilissimo anche in Italia.

Anche in St. John's la sede Ë nuovissima e veramente all' avanguardia, sia per quanto riguarda il servizio radiofonico che quello televisivo. Unica pecca, che dimostra quanta attenzione il servizio pubblico canadese dedichi alle onde corte, era che nessuna delle persone lÏ presenti sapeva che trasmettevano anche su quella banda di frequenza, eravamo noi due, incredibile ma vero, gli unici a saperlo!!!

Lasciata la CBC, raggiungevamo la sede di altra storica stazione della citt‡, la VOWR 800 KHz. E' questa una stazione evangelica attiva fin dal 1924 ma purtroppo trovavamo tutto chiuso al momento del nostro arrivo. Due parole sul suo call letter iniziante con V e non con C come per le altre stazioni canadesi. E' questo legata alla storia del Newfoulands [sic].

Quando negli anni '20 nacquero le prime stazioni radio il Newfoulands non era canadese ma ancora un possedimento britannico. Quando dopo la seconda guerra mondiale in seguito ad un referendum vinto per una manciata di voti dagli unionisti le stazioni della regione mantennero il loro originario call letter, mentre quelle nate dopo l' unione al Canada presero call letter inizianti per C.

Le terza meta pi˘ che una stazione radio era un computer. » infatti nient'altro che un PC ospitato all' interno del Museo dell' Ammiragliato, la CICQ, stazione low power che irradia programmi turistici su 92.3 MHz.

Altro buco nell' acqua la successiva visita, il gruppo di tre emittenti VOCM 590 KHz, Hits FM 99.1 MHz e K-Rock 97.5 MHz. Nessuno aveva alle nostre e-mail e mesaggi di Messanger e la "gentile" receptionista ci sbolognava facendosi dare il nostro numero di telefono assicurandoci che in giornata avremmo ricevuto un messaggio con fissato l'appuntamento per l'indomani. Dobbiamo ancora riceverlo ora! Mi auguro che la punizione eterna che l'attender‡ nel girone infernale dei bugiardi non gli sia troppo lieve. Si era fatto tardi, sospendevamo per riprendere l'indomani.

Anche il giorno successivo si giravano le emittenti di St. John's, purtroppo sotto un diluvio non estivo ma autunnale. La prima ad essere raggiunta era la CHMR 93.5 MHz, la locale stazione universitaria. Molto bello il piccolo museo li raccolto coi cimeli della stazione fra cui una targa che ricorda che una volta la frequenza di utilizzo era l'onda media di 860 KHz, ma anche in Canada tutti quanti cercano di abbandonare le onde medie per andare in FM.

Scattavano alcune foto e poi raggiungevamo Coast FM bella stazione commerciale operante U 101.1 MHz. Molto belli gli studi e pure la programmazione veramente all' avanguardia. Raggiungevamo poi Rafale

FM, piccola emittente comunitaria al servizio della minoranza francofona di St. John's, ospitata all' interno della scuola francese della citt‡. Molto bello l'incontro con la segretaria perfettamente italiano parlante in quanto laureata in lingua e letteratura italiana.

Si terminava con quello che sicuramente Ë il gruppo commerciale pi˘ importante del Newfoulands operante in campo televisivo con NTV ed in campo radiofonico con OZ FM, emittenti di musica rock. Era ora di pranzo per cui non trovavamo nessuno se non l'addetta alla reception che ci omaggiava di alcuni graditissimi adesivi delle due emittenti.

Avevamo terminato con le radio di St. John's ma non con l' attivit‡ radiofonica. Il giorno successivo, sabato 15 agosto, giorno non festivo nell'anglicano Newfoulands, ci incontravamo con il DXer locale Allen Willie, specialista di ricezione di stazioni europee sulle onde medie per la visita a due importanti musei a tema radiofonico.

Il primo che raggiungevamo Ë in cima alla Signal Hill, la collina che domina St. John's, cosÏ chiamata perchÈ utilizzando la torre posta in cima ad essa in tempi passati si segnalava ai portuali l'arrivo delle navi mercantili dall'Europa. La Torre porta il nome di Cabot Tower ed Ë dedicata a Caboto, il navigatore veneziano che per primo giunse nel Newfoulands, la mitica Terra Nova. All' interno della Caboto Tower Ë ospitato un museo dedicato ad un altro grande italiano, Guglielmo Marconi!

Fu infatti ad un centinaio di metri dalla Caboto Tower che il 12 dicembre del 1901 Guglielmo Marconi ricevette il primo segnale radio che irradiato dall'Europa, da Poldhu in Cornovaglia, attraverso l'Oceano Atlantico dimostrando che le onde radio erano in grado di superare la curvatura terrestre.

Il museo illustra i preparativi di Marconi per l'installazione della stazione ricevente, e le conseguenze che l'esperimento ebbe per l'evoluzione delle comunicazioni radiofoniche. Veramente emozionante vedere come in St. John's sia ancora ricordato il nostro grande connazionali.

Il secondo museo che visitavamo era il gi‡ menzionato museo dell' Ammiragliato che illustra l' attivit‡ della stazione prima telegrafica e poi radiotelegrafica di St. John's uno dei nodi principali della rete che permetteva le comunicazioni all' interno del vasto Impero Britannico.

E con queste due visite terminavamo la nostra attivit‡ in St. John's; il giorno successivo, infatti, raggiungevamo la Francia o meglio in dipartimento francese di St. Pierre et Miquelon, l'arcipelago al largo del Newfoulands, ultimo bastione della dominazione francese sul

Canada. Devo dire che mi ha fatto una cerca impressione giunto in St. Pierre vedere sventolare, dall'altra parte dell'oceano, la stessa bandiera che sventola poco dopo Ventimiglia, tornare ad usare l'Euro, vedere gli uffici della post, mangiare la soupe d'onion e la baguette!

Era lunedÏ 17 il giorno del tour fra le tre emittenti di Saint Pierre et Miquelon, tutte dislocate nel capoluogo Saint Pierre (in Miquelon non ha sede nessuna emittente anche se naturalmente tutte e tre hanno trasmettitori in loco).

La prima che visitavamo era la governativa la Premiere, la nuova denominazione di quella che una volta era la rete di Radio France Outremare. Gran bella emittente sia radiofonica che televisiva. Non solo preparano i programmi locali ma provvedono anche alla ritrasmissione dei programmi nazionali di France Inter. Tutti molto gentili e disponibili nei nostri confronti come quasi sempre accade nelle sedi locali di Radio France.

Andavamo poi alla piccola comunitaria Radio Archipel 103.3 MHz. Poco pi˘ di uno stanzino ove i presenti non potevano dedicarci molto tempo in quanto tutti indaffaratissimi a cercare di ripristinare il collegamento con il trasmettitore in Miquelon che era saltato qualche ora prima.

Si concludeva con Radio Atlantique 102.1 MHz l'emittente commerciale dell'arcipelago. Piccina ma efficiente, dato che opera praticamente in regime di monopolio per la raccolta pubblicitaria.

E' infatti da notare che i grandi network radiofonici privati francesi, NRJ, Nostalgie, Skyrock etc, in Saint Pierre et Miquelon non solo non hanno studi ma neanche attivano trasmettitori. Veramente gentile il direttore che si intratteneva a parlare con noi per pi˘ di un'ora sulla situazione della radiofonia francese commerciale e statale e per tutta la durata della nostra visita ha messo in onda canzoni italiane.

Avevamo ancora un po' di tempo e quindi andavamo a fotografare l'antenna, ora spenta, dell'onda media con la quale fino a non molti anni fa' Radio France d'Outremare trasmetteva sui 1375 kHz risultando spesso sintonizzabile anche in Italia. Da notare che l'antenna non Ë stata smantellata per, secondo quanto dettoci a La PremiËre, "motivi strategici" !!!!

Non si sa mai, un invasione canadese dall'arcipelago c'Ë gi‡ stata nel 1940 per evitare che finisse sotto il governo di Vichy!!!! MartedÏ 18 relax ancora in Saint Pierre, mercoledÏ 19 si tornava in Canada, a St. John's, e giovedÏ 20 si proseguiva per Montreal.

VenerdÏ 21 agosto l' ultima visita ad un'emittente di Montreal, la CFMB Radio Italia 1280 kHz, l'emittente operante da ormai pi˘ di 40 anni nella nostra lingua per la nostra numerosa comunit‡ residente nel QuÈbec. Venivamo intervistati dallo speaker al momento in onda e salutavamo in diretta i nostri connazionali all' ascolto.

Una piccola annotazione, quanto il 31 dicembre chieder‡ il trasmettitore di Strasburgo di Radio Alsace attivo sui 1278 kHz non Ë da escludersi che possa essere possibile il suo ascolto anche qui in Europa.

Si era davvero terminato, sabato 22 si ripartiva a destinazione dell' Europa e domenica 23 si era a casa ponendo fino a quest'altro radio tour extraeuropeo (Robert Pavanello, via Dario Monferini, Oct 30, playdx yg, edited by gh into paragraphs, etc., for DX LISTENING DIGEST)

LANGUAGE LESSONS
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Google Translate error leads to Spanish town advertising 'Clitoris Festival' --- / Odd News By Ben Hooper | Nov. 4, 2015 at 10:27 AMO
http://www.upi.com/Odd_News/2015/11/04/Google-Translate-error-leads-to-Spanish-town-advertising-Clitoris-Festival/6271446649520/?spt=hs&or=on
(via Terry Krueger, DXLD)

MUSEA
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WARDROBE UPDATE

I FOUND my vintage-1986 NDXE T-Shirt! My ex-wife is absolved of any associated guilt, and I have pressed the precious garment into regular rotation! -- (GREG HARDISON, Oct 29, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

SE INAUGURA PRISMA, EL SITIO WEB QUE DEMOCRATIZA EL ARCHIVO AUDIOVISUAL Y SONORO DE RADIO NACIONAL Y LA TELEVISI”N P˝BLICA [ARGENTINA]
http://www.archivoprisma.com.ar/
http://www.radionacional.com.ar/?p=82506
28 de octubre de 2015 . 14:51 pm

MaÒana a las 18 ser· inaugurado Prisma, el Archivo HistÛrico de Radio y TelevisiÛn Argentina que re˙ne m·s de 80.000 soportes audiovisuales y sonoros que componen el acervo de la TelevisiÛn P˙blica y de Radio Nacional. El evento contar·, a travÈs de una videoconferencia, con la presencia de la presidenta Cristina Fern·ndez y podr· ser visto en http://www.radionacional.com.ar

Se trata de piezas por mucho tiempo relegadas, que permiten ver, desde la perspectiva del Estado en sus distintos momentos, zonas de nuestra experiencia social, cultural y polÌtica.

El Archivo HistÛrico de RTA, a partir del decreto de su creaciÛn de abril de 2013, viene llevando adelante un trabajo sostenido de digitalizaciÛn de estos materiales y, a la vez, democratiza el acceso p˙blico a los mismos a travÈs de la p·gina web Prisma. AsÌ, Prisma es una ventana hacia el pasado, que dÌa a dÌa crecer· y se renovar·, dando cuenta del entramado audiovisual y sonoro de la Argentina.
4 de junio de 2015 . 15:48 pm

AVANZA EL MEGAPROYECTO DE RADIO NACIONAL Y LA TV P′BLICA QUE DEMOCRATIZA MILES DE HORAS DE ARCHIVOS AUDIOVISUALES . . .
http://www.radionacional.com.ar/?p=62274
(via Dr Hansjoerg Biener, Oct 29, DXLD)

DIGITAL BROADCASTING --- DTV See MEXICO; OKLAHOMA
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DIGITAL BROADCASTING --- DAB+ See NETHERLANDS [non]; POLAND; UK; PUBS
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DIGITAL BROADCASTING --- DRM See INDIA; UK; UNIDENTIFIED 6060
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SPESENRITTER

DRM press releases are product of a gang, we say 'Spesenritter' in German, like 'who runs up a lot of expenses and descends into luxury hotels' on conferences worldwide, that does only 'MILK' the transmitter manufacturer and broadcaster organizations. That's happening since 1999 already.

Some real and wooden request entries in DRM mode B-15. Rather kiddy, such old DRM request entries of 2006 or 2010 year a decade ago. DRM VoRussia, Irkutsk, Moscow, Armavir, etc. have all long gone (Wolfgang B¸schel, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

RADIO EQUIPMENT FORUM
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ARRL MEDIUM-WAVE EXPERIMENTERS SPONSORING NOVEMBER 14-15 SPECIAL EVENT

The 107th anniversary of the Berlin Treaty, which created the international distress frequency at 500 kHz, will be the occasion for a special event operation in that vicinity of the spectrum. The event,

announced by ARRL Medium-Wave Experiment (WD2XSH) Coordinator Fritz Raab, W1FR, set for the November 13-14 weekend, will involve experimental operators in the US, Canadian Amateur Radio stations, and US heritage maritime stations.

ìFor US experimental ops, this will be a CW event,î Raab said. ìSome stations will run beacons with special messages, and some will offer special QSLs. Other stations will simulate maritime communication. They will call CQ on a designated calling frequency and then QSY to complete the QSO. Silent periods will be observed. Some stations will pass message traffic.î

Activity for the special event will focus on 465 to 480 kHz and 495 to 510 kHz, since different licensees have different frequency authorizations, Raab explained. Designated calling frequencies are 475 kHz for the lower segment, and 500 kHz for the upper.

Raab said the Maritime Radio Historical Society (MRHS) will conduct a mini ìNight of Nightsî on Saturday night, with special attention to MF operation. ìThis will give listeners the best chance of copying their MF signals by operating during the winter and extending our operating hours well into the evening Pacific time,î Raab said. KPH will keep 426 and 500 kHz active with messages and will verify listener reports.

Five Canadian amateurs are expected to operate in the 472-479 kHz band. ìIn addition to activities similar to those of the US experimental stations, the Canadian amateurs will conduct cross-band communication tests with amateurs operating on 80 and 40 meters,î Raab said. Canadian amateurs planning to participate include:

VO1NA, Torbay, Newfoundland (GN37), 2130-0130 UTC on November 14/15 (Friday and Saturday nights in US time zones), transmitting on 477.7 kHz, listening on 3562 kHz.

VE7SL, Mayne Island, British Columbia (CN88), 0200-0700 UTC on November 14/15 (Friday and Saturday nights in US time zones), transmitting on 473.0 kHz, listening on 3566 kHz and 7066 kHz.

VE7BDQ, in Delta, British Columbia (CN89), 0430-0700 UTC on November 14/15 (Friday and Saturday nights in US time zones), transmitting on 474.0 kHz, listening on 3536 kHz.

VA7MM, Coquitlam, British Columbia (CN89) 0500Z-0700 UTC on November 14 (Friday in US time zones) and 0400-0800 UTC on November 15 (Saturday in US time zones), transmitting on 475.0 kHz, listening on 3570 kHz.

VE7CNF, Burnaby, British Columbia (CN89), 0300-0700 UTC on November

14/15 (Friday and Saturday nights in US time zones), transmitting on 476.0 kHz, listening on 3558 kHz and 7062 kHz.

ìAll stations will either call CQ or send VVV marker beacons while listening on their respective QSX frequencies,î Raab said. Stations will announce their listening frequencies. More information may be available as the date approaches (via Scott Blixt, MDXC yg via DXLD)

PROPAGATION
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FEDS HAVE PLAN IN CASE WE ARE HIT WITH CATASTROPHIC SOLAR FLARES:
November 1, 2015 eHam.net http://www.eham.net/articles/35576

We take the nation's power grid for granted. But what would happen if the power went out all over the country, or all over the world? This scenario has resulted in the White House coming out with a contingency plan if a massive solar flare hits. Most of us are familiar with the devastation caused by hurricanes, earthquakes, and even droughts. But there is one natural phenomenon that could devastate our technology-driven society, and that is space weather.

We hear and read about EMP's, solar flares and coronal mass ejections. As a matter of fact, an intense solar flare disrupted low-frequency radio wave communications over South America and the Atlantic Ocean on September 28 this year. And in October 2014, Digital Journal reported on an X-Class event, the most powerful kind of solar flare. Writer Mark J. Allen wrote, "Earth-bound CMEs can cause geomagnetic storms that can damage electrical equipment on orbiting satellites and radio equipment on Earth as well as affecting the precision of global positioning system (GPS) measurements."

Full article here:
http://www.digitaljournal.com/science/white-house-prepares-six-step-plan-for-catastrophic-solar-flares/article/448073

To read the White House plan in its entirety:
https://www.whitehouse.gov/blog/2015/10/28/enhancing-national-preparedness-space-weather-events
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Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
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Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity 26 Oct - 01 Nov 2015

Solar activity was at low levels on 26-30 October and 01 November with numerous C-class events, primarily observed from Region 2443 (N07, L=316, class/area Fkc/650 on 01 Nov). An isolated M1/Sf (R1-Minor) flare was observed on 31 October at 1752 UTC from Region 2443. On 29 October, Type II (estimated 972 km/s shock velocity) and Type IV radio emissions were detected at 0219 UTC and 0230 UTC, respectively. SOHO/LASCO C2 imagery observed a non Earth-directed CME off the SW limb at 29/0236 UTC, believed to be associated with the Type II and Type IV radio activity.

A short-lived greater than 10 MeV at greater than or equal to 10 pfu proton event was observed on 29 October. The event began at 29/0550 UTC, reached a maximum of 23 pfu at 29/1000 UTC and ended at 29/1700 UTC. Coincident with this event was a short-lived greater than 100 MeV at greater than or equal to 1 pfu event. This event began at 29/0435 UTC, reached a maximum of 2 pfu at 29/0610 UTC and ended at 29/0930 UTC. Both of these events were most likely associated with activity just beyond the SW limb described above.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit was at normal levels on 26, 30-31 October and 01 November with moderate levels obsered on 27-29 October.

Geomagnetic field activity was predominately at quiet levels with some unsettled periods observed on 30-31 October and 01 November. Solar wind parameters reflected a mostly nominal environment with wind speeds ranging from a high of 483 km/s at 26/1145 UTC to a low of 287 km/s at 29/0746 UTC. Total field strength ranged from 1-10 nT while the Bz component did not vary much beyond +/- 7 nT. Phi angle was in a positive (away) orientation from the beginning of the period through early on 28 October when a switch to a negative (towards) sector was observed. Phi switched back to a positive sector at about 29/1915 UTC and remained so through the balance of the summary period.

FORECAST OF SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY 02 - 28 NOVEMBER 2015

Solar activity is expected to be at predominately low levels with moderate levels (R1-R2.Minor-Moderate) likely through the outlook period. Region 2443, through 10 November, and the return of old Regions 2434 (S09, L=165) on 07 November and 2437 (S18, L=098) on 12 November are likely to produce M-class activity through the outlook period.

No proton events are expected at geosynchronous orbit in the absence of any siginifcant flare activity.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit is expected to be at high to very high levels on 02-13 November due to an enhanced solar wind environment as a recurrent, trans-equatorial coronal hole high speed stream (CH HSS) becomes geoeffective. Normal to moderate levels are expected from 14-28 November.

Geomagnetic field activity is expected to began the period at G1 (Minor), G2 (Moderate) and G3 (Strong) levels on 02 November followed by G1 to G2 levels on 03 November as a recurrent, trans-equatorial CH HSS impacts Earth. Unsettled to active levels are expected on 04-06 November as CH HSS effects wane. Unsettled to active levels are expected on 13-14 November and 16-17 November due to periods of southward Bz and a weak positive polarity CH HSS. Quiet to unsettled levels are expected for the remainder of the outlook period.

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# UTC Date	Radio Flux 10.7 cm	Planetary A Index	Largest Kp Index
2015 Nov 02	120	65	7
2015 Nov 03	120	50	6
2015 Nov 04	120	20	4
2015 Nov 05	120	12	4
2015 Nov 06	125	12	4
2015 Nov 07	125	8	3
2015 Nov 08	125	8	3
2015 Nov 09	125	5	2
2015 Nov 10	120	5	2
2015 Nov 11	110	5	2
2015 Nov 12	110	5	2
2015 Nov 13	115	12	4
2015 Nov 14	115	20	5
2015 Nov 15	115	5	2
2015 Nov 16	115	8	3
2015 Nov 17	115	12	4
2015 Nov 18	115	5	2

2015 Nov 19	110	5	2
2015 Nov 20	105	5	2
2015 Nov 21	105	5	2
2015 Nov 22	105	5	2
2015 Nov 23	110	5	2
2015 Nov 24	120	5	2
2015 Nov 25	120	5	2
2015 Nov 26	120	8	3
2015 Nov 27	120	5	2
2015 Nov 28	120	8	3

(via WORLD OF RADIO 1798, DXLD)

GLENN`S PROPAGATION OUTLOOK FOR MEDIA NETWORK PLUS AS OF NOVEMBER 5

Keith, From IPS in Australia, the global HF propagation forecast thru November 7: normal at low latitudes, normal to fair at middle to high latitudes.

From Spaceweather South Africa, thru November 6, magnetic conditions quiet to unsettled, shortwave fadeouts unlikely, MUF unstable

From Met Office UK, thru November 8, solar activity moderate with further M-Class flares likely. Geomagnetic activity quiet to unsettled; A slight 10-20% chance of solar radiation storms.

From Petr Kolman in Prague, the Geomagnetic field will be:
quiet to unsettled on November 6, 10, 25
quiet to active on November 7 - 9, 11 - 13
mostly quiet on November 14, 17 - 24
quiet on November 15 - 16

From the NOAA Space Weather Prediction Center in Boulder, geomagnetic field unsettled to active November 6, 13-14, 16-17; otherwise quiet to unsettled. A and K indices peaking at 20 and 5 on November 14; 12 and 4 on the 17th. Lowest indices of 5 and 2 on November 9-12, 15 and 18 to 25. Solar flux peaking at 125 November 6-9, dipping to 105 November 20-22.

There was an off-season sporadic E TV DX opening up to 70 MHz from MÈxico to Oklahoma the morning of November 4.

William Hepburn`s VHF-UHF DX maps predict extreme tropospheric ducting: all week off the coast of West Africa around Cape Verde. Also off Angola, Namibia, Mozambique and Madagascar; off northwestern Australia as well as inside the Gulf of Carpinteria (via DXLD) ####